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GOOGLE TRIMS ITS TOP TEAM BY 10% TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY

Google has cut the number of top management roles by 10% in its push for efficiency, the US firm's CEO Sundar Pichai told staff in a meeting

MOVE TO SIMPLIFY COMPANY STRUCTURE

According to a Business Insider report, Pichai told staff the process to trim the company's top team has been going on for the past two years, adding the larger goal is to simplify the company structure by reducing layers of managers that hinder growth. The report quoting Pichai said the efficiency push included a 10% cut in managers, directors, and vice-presidents

SOME ROLES CHANGED TO NON-MANAGERIAL

- A Google spokesperson said some of those roles were changed to nonmanagerial positions while others were eliminated entirely
- The efficiency push has coincided with AI rivals such as OpenAI unleashing new products that threaten Google's search business
- In 2022, Pichai had said he wanted Google to be 20% more efficient

12,000

NUMBER OF JOBS GOOGLE ELIMINATED IN JANUARY 2023, BIGGEST IN ITS HISTORY

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Firefighters douse the fire at the accident site on the Jaipur-Ajmer Highway | PTI

11 killed, 40 injured as LPG tanker hits truck and explodes

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

AT least 11 people were killed and over 40 others seriously injured when an LPG tanker exploded after colliding with a truck near Bhankrota on the Jaipur-Ajmer highway on Friday morning. Over 20 of the injured suffered more than 50% burns. Sources said they fear the toll could go up as the condition of many of the injured is very serious.

The Bharat Petroleum LPG tanker was going from Ajmer to Jaipur when the accident happened. At around 5:45 am, the tanker was attempting a U-turn near Delhi Public School on the outskirts of Jaipur when another truck rammed into it. Sushant Kumar Singh, deputy general manager (fire and safety) of GAIL India, said five nozzles on the tanker broke in the impact of the collision, releasing liquid LPG all over the area. The leaked gas ignited due to a spark, leading to a massive explosion that left the entire vicinity in flames.

The fire spread across a 300-metre radius, reducing dozens of vehicles to ashes. Among the destroyed vehicles were 29 trucks, two passenger buses, two gas tankers, three cars, three motorcycles, and two pickup vehicles. A nearby pipe factory and a sleeper bus were also severely damaged.

Eyewitnesses reported seeing massive flames that were visible from miles away, trapping many individuals in their vehicles.

Over 30 fire engines were rushed to extinguish the flames. To prevent further escalation, the LPG gas pipeline beneath the highway was shut off.

Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajanlal Sharma visited the injured in hospital. He also announced financial assistance of ₹5 lakh each for the families of the deceased and ₹1 lakh each for the injured.

FLAMES ENGULF 300-METRE STRETCH

People reported witnessing flames from nearly 1 km away as thick black smoke filled the sky. The crash initially affected a nearly 300-metre stretch of the highway, leading to a long queue of vehicles. The traffic thickened with time and by afternoon choked the arterial road, leading to diversions

Session ends, discord doesn't

B R Ambedkar issue set to resonate in the forthcoming Delhi and Bihar assembly elections

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

THE winter session of Parliament, which saw unprecedented clashes between the Opposition and the ruling BJP, came to a close on Friday with Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla and Rajya Sabha Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar cautioning the members to maintain dignity and decorum of the Houses.

Both the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha were adjourned sine die amid protests by the Opposition and treasury benches over the alleged insult to B R Ambedkar and directions by Speaker Om Birla to members against holding protests at any gate of Parliament.

While Lok Sabha's productivity was 57.87% in 20 days, passing four bills, the corresponding figure for the Rajya Sabha was 40.03% in 19 days and the passage of three bills.

The session may perhaps go down in parliamentary history for setting a grim record for several reasons — from an ugly scuffle between the NDA and INDIA bloc members and a no-confidence motion by the Opposition against Upper House chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar to a bitter discourse on Constitution and daily disruption of the House proceedings by both sides — to name a few.

The main highlight of the session — a two-day debate on the 75th year of Constitution snowballed into a major point of confrontation between the BJP and the Congress over Union home minister Amit Shah's comment on Ambedkar in Parliament. During his speech on the Constitution, he said, "It has become the new fashion to say 'Ambedkar, Ambedkar, Ambedkar'. Had they chanted God's name as many times, they would have found a place in heaven."

The scuffle outside Parliament on Thursday led to an FIR against Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi after the BJP filed assault charges against him for causing injury to two of its MPs. With both the Congress and the BJP escalating the issue outside Parliament, it is bound to gain more traction and dominate the narrative in the forthcoming Delhi and Bihar assembly elections.

Most part of the 25 day-long session revolved around two tycoons. While Opposition members demanded a debate on the US indictment of businessman Gautam Adani, the treasury benches sought to counter it with the alleged links between the Gandhi family and US billionaire George Soros.

Battle lines were also drawn over INDIA bloc's impeachment motion against Chairman Dhankhar for his alleged partisan conduct in the House. Though it was rejected by deputy Chairman Harivansh, it was the first time that such a motion was made against an RS presiding officer.

The Lok Sabha also saw the introduction of the important 'One Nation, One Election' legislation, amid fierce protest by the Opposition. But the bill didn't get two-thirds majority at the introduction stage. Subsequently, it was sent to a 39-member JPC for vetting.

Congress MP Priyanka Gandhi Vadra and other INDIA bloc MPs during their protest against Home Minister Amit Shah over his remarks on Ambedkar | SHEKHAR YADAV

SPECIAL TEAM OF POLICE TO HANDLE RAHUL CASE

A special team of the Delhi Police is expected to take over the probe into the FIR filed against Congress leader Rahul Gandhi for allegedly 'assaulting' BJP MPs, sources said. Given the conflicting claims, the team plans to call MPs present during the scuffle to piece together the sequence of events. The police will examine CCTV footage and speak to the injured MPs | P9

MEA ticks off Yunus aide for silly remarks

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE government on Friday informed the Lok Sabha that 2,200 cases of violence against Hindus and other minorities were reported from Bangladesh this year up to December 8. Minister of State for External Affairs Kirti Vardhan Singh gave the information said the Indian High Commission in Dhaka is closely monitoring the situation, adding that New Delhi has raised the issue with Dhaka.

In another development, India has lodged a strong protest with Bangladesh over a now-deleted social media post by Chief Adviser Muhammad Yunus's aide Mahfuz Alam, claiming certain areas of India should be part of Bangladesh. Earlier, he had posted on Facebook a map purportedly showing parts of West Bengal, Tripura and Assam as parts of Bangladesh.

"We would like to remind all concerned to be mindful of their public comments," said Randhir Jaiswal, spokesperson, Ministry of External Affairs.

EXPRESS READ

Caste harassment: FIR against 8 IIM-B officials

BENGALURU: MICO Layout police on Friday registered a case against IIM-Bangalore Director Rishikesh T Krishnan and seven others for caste-based harassment and workplace discrimination. The complaint was registered after an inquiry led by ADGP Arun Chakravarthy of the Directorate of Civil Rights Enforcement that concluded last month, found evidence of workplace exclusion | P2

Former Haryana CM OP Chautala dies at 89

CHANDIGARH: Om Prakash Chautala, a prominent Jat leader and former Haryana CM whose career was marked by dizzying highs and rockbottom lows, died on Friday. He was 89. He is survived by two sons and three daughters. His wife Sneh Lata passed away over five years ago. An INLD spokesperson said Chautala collapsed in his Gurugram home. He was rushed to a hospital, where he died.

Ravi showed his arrest illegal, release him forthwith, directs Karnataka HC

YATHIRAJU @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court on Friday directed the state police to release BJP MLC CT Ravi, noting that he had, prima facie, made out a case that his arrest is illegal.

"The interim relief as sought by the petitioner is granted. The petitioner is ordered to be released from custody forthwith, subject to the condition that he shall make himself available for investigation before the investigating officer as and when required at all reasonable times," said Justice MG Uma in the interim order passed after hearing the petition filed by Ravi, questioning his arrest.

Ravi was arrested by Belagavi police on Thursday following a complaint filed by Women and Child Development Minister Lakshmi Hebbalkar in Belagavi under Sections 75 and 79 of BNS on charges of sexual harassment and intention to insult the modesty of a woman for his alleged derogatory remarks and objectionable gestures.

The court said that even if the offence invites punishment of less than three years, the police are required to follow the procedure by issuing a notice under Section 35 of BNS and serving a memo containing grounds and reasons for arrest. P4

BJP MLC CT Ravi has an altercation with police personnel on the road, after he was arrested from Suvarna Vidhana Soudha in Belagavi, late on Thursday night | EXPRESS

No credible evidence of Ravi's remarks, says Horatti

PRAMODKUMAR VAIDYA @ Hubballi

LEGISLATIVE Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti on Friday said that no credible evidence exists of BJP MLC CT Ravi making alleged derogatory statements against Women and Child Development Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar on Thursday.

Horatti clarified to the media that the alleged statement was made after he adjourned the Council following chaos over Union Home Minister Amit Shah's remarks on Dr BR Ambedkar. As the recording was turned off after the adjournment, there is no official record to substantiate the claims and counterclaims made, he added.

Both parties, however, filed complaints with him. Hebbalkar's side alleged that Ravi made the derogatory remarks and four Congress MLCs – Yathindra Siddaramaiah, Bilkis Banu, Umashri and M Nagaraj – heard the insults. Ravi denied using any derogatory terms, claiming instead that Hebbalkar called him a "murderer", while he had merely used the word "frustrate". P4

B'luru to get US Consulate by Jan 2025

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE United States will open a Consulate in the city by January 2025, and US Ambassador to India Eric Garcetti said that his country is working to fulfil its commitment to open a Consulate in Bengaluru in the said period.

The US had earlier announced plans to establish consulates in Bengaluru and Ahmedabad, Garcetti said during a session hosted by the US-India Business Council (USIBC) in New Delhi.

"We are committed to opening the Consulate in Bengaluru, and we hope to make an announcement soon," he added. He also emphasised the presence of a Foreign Commercial Service office in Bengaluru, which further reinforces the strong economic and diplomatic relationship between India and the US.

The opening addresses a long-standing demand from Bengaluru's citizens, Bengaluru South MP Tejasvi Surya said. He stated, "The people of Bengaluru had to go to Chennai, Hyderabad, or New Delhi to get any US visa-related work done. It used to cost them anywhere between Rs 25,000 and Rs 30,000. Even after having the largest number of students and techies who travel to the US, Bengaluru did not have a Consulate." CONTINUED ON P2

Siddu hits out at Centre for imposing Hindi, discrimination in tax devolution

K SHIVA KUMAR @ Mandya

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Friday said the central government is trying to impose Hindi across the country, posing a threat to regional languages like Kannada. Everyone should protest against such imposition of Hindi and save Kannada, he said after inaugurating the 87th Kannada Sahitya Sammelana here. He appealed to Kannadigas to speak and teach Kannada to non-Kannadigas and to save the rich language.

Attacking the Centre over allegedly discriminating against the state in devolution of funds and taxes, he said the central government paid Rs 55,000 crore against Rs 4.5 lakh crore tax collected by the state, affecting its development.

He accused the Centre of imposing higher taxes on the common man and reducing taxes on corporate companies. This has hit the purchasing power of the people, forcing the state government to introduce five guarantees for the benefit of the people, he added. P5

People take out a procession as part of the 87th Kannada Sahitya Sammelana in Mandya on Friday | UDAYASHANKAR S

WAH CHAI!

Your cuppa is healthy, US food, drug regulator finally agrees

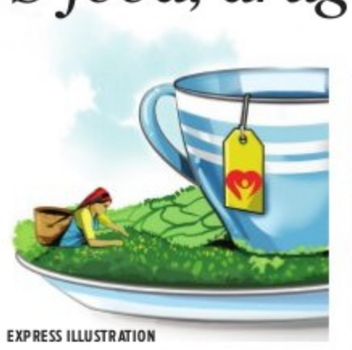
PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

WITH the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recognising tea from the Camellia sinensis plant is a healthy beverage, the North Eastern Tea Association (NETA) raised a toast to it.

On December 19, the FDA issued a rule to update the "healthy" nutrient content claim to help consumers identify foods that are particularly useful as the foundation of a diet that is consistent with dietary recommendations.

"Fantastic news for the tea industry," said Peter F Goggi, the president of Tea Association of the USA. "Tea is now officially recognized as a healthy beverage and tea can now claim this descriptor," he added.

Bidyananda Barkakoty, adviser to NETA and former vice chairman of Tea Board of India, too expressed joy. "We are extremely happy to know that tea derived from Camellia sinensis has got this recognition. Research worldwide has found the health benefits of drinking tea," Barkakoty said terming it a "wonder drink".



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The NETA urged the Centre to promote tea as a "healthy, lifestyle and wellness" beverage. Dipanjal Deka, secretary of Tea Association of India, Assam branch, said, "Ours is camellia assamica (Assam bush). I think the recognition is for tea in general. It is a good thing for us. In any case, it is scientifically proven that tea has health benefits," he added.

The FDA in a statement said, "We agree that tea is derived from the plant Camellia sinensis…We previously recognized that green tea is made from Camellia sinensis in our response to a qualified health claim petition regarding the relationship between green tea and certain cancers."

"At this time, we do not have sufficient information to determine whether herbal infusions should automatically qualify for the 'healthy' claim. We, therefore, extend automatic qualification for the 'healthy' claim to tea—derived from Camellia sinensis—and not to herbal infusions."

ZUBAIR

HC STAYS ARREST TILL JANUARY 6

The Allahabad High Court on Friday stayed till January 6 the arrest of Alt News co-founder Mohammed Zubair in relation to an FIR accusing him of promoting enmity among religious groups. The FIR was lodged last month following a complaint by an associate of controversial priest Yati Narsinghanand.

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Gulikakala: 06:00 am to 07:30 am • Yamaganda: 01:49 pm to 03:26 pm

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MIN 19°C | MAX 30°C
FORECAST
Cloudy

Sunrise 06.36 am
Sunset 05.58 pm
Moonrise 11.27 pm
Moonset 11.20 am

AD-HOC PROPOSALS

'Tunnel road, other projects a waste of public money'

Prof: Projects can reduce ridership of MRTS, while encouraging pvt vehicle use

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PROFESSOR Ashish Verma from the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) raised concerns over the proposed 18-km tunnel road and double-decker corridor projects in Bengaluru, calling them a waste of 'public money.'

Verma stated that his report to the Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) and Rail Infrastructure Development (Karnataka) Limited (KRIDE) highlights how these projects could reduce ridership of the existing Mass Rapid Transport System (MRTS), while encouraging private vehicle usage.

Sharing insights from his study, Verma emphasised that a well-integrated MRTS network could achieve an 80% sustainable modal share by 2041, while alleviating congestion and enhancing urban connectivity. However, the analysis reveals that double-decker corridors and tunnel road encourage private vehicle usage, reduce public transit ridership, and exacerbate environmental and social disparities, he said.

"Recommendations like increased suburban rail capacity, comprehensive MRTS coverage, and seamless modal integration to foster an equitable, scalable, and resilient urban mobility framework have been suggested against the proposed tunnel road and double-decker corridor," he added.

Sandeep Anirudhan, Convenor of Citizens' Agenda for Bengaluru criticised the Karnataka government for failing to activate the Metropolitan Planning Committee, which he said is essential for urban planning. He urged the government to prioritise authority in urban planning decisions.

Further, DT Davere's from the Bangalore Environment Trust also pointed out legal lapses in the proposal, stating that the project bypassed the Comprehensive Mobility Plan and was not discussed at the Bangalore Metropolitan Land Transport Authority (BMLTA). "The MPS exists only on paper," he said, adding that the RTI request for a Detailed Project Report (DPR) has been answered.

> Double-decker corridors and tunnel road encourage private vehicle usage and reduce public transit
> -Professor Ashish Verma

Kathyayini Chamaraj, executive trustee of NGO CIVIC and organiser of the seminar 'Misplaced Priorities Of BBMP's Projects' highlighted public dissatisfaction with such big-ticket projects, advocating instead for investment in increasing the fleet of BMTC buses and ensuring last mile connectivity. A Ravindra, who moderated the seminar, asked the activists to submit a memorandum to CM Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar.

Prof Ashish Verma speaks at the the seminar 'Misplaced Priorities Of BBMP's Projects' at Gandhi Bhavan in Bengaluru | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

FRC cracks down on edu institutions for excess fees

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THE Fee Regulatory Committee (FRC) has acted against more than a dozen educational institutions in Karnataka for charging fees beyond the government-mandated structure. Institutions including Dr Ambedkar Institute of Technology, T John College of Pharmacy, and several others were directed to refund excess fees collected from students, with strict warnings issued to ensure compliance.

Among the cases addressed, Dr Ambedkar Institute of Technology refunded Rs 2.12 lakh to a student after charging excess fees for a COMED-K seat. Despite initially refusing to refund the amount, the institute complied following the FRC's intervention, according to a release from the committee.

T John College of Pharmacy also refunded Rs 50,000 to a student from the 2022-23 academic year. The amount was collected under the guise of additional training fees for the B. Pharma course. Refunds were secured for two other students as well.

Justice B Srinivasa Gowda, who chairs the FRC, revealed that complaints were received from 25 students enrolled in professional courses like MBA, MCA, and Nursing through the Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA) this academic year. The students reported demands for fees above the stipulated amount—Rs 55,000 to Rs 4 lakh. The committee acted swiftly on these complaints, ensuring that all students secured admissions without paying excess fees. Over a dozen institutions were named in these complaints, including Presidency University, AIMS IBS School, Acharya Institute of Management and Science, The Oxford College of Engineering, Brindavan College, Alliance University, IFIM College, Christ Academy Institute for Advanced Studies, Daksha First Grade College, and Don Bosco Institute of Management Studies. Tumakuru and Davangere Universities, both under the Higher Education Department, were also found to have attempted to collect additional fees but later withdrew their demands, said Justice Gowda.

The FRC also served a notice to Acharya Bangalore B-School after it insisted that three MBA students pay additional fees despite the committee's clear directives.

CASTE HARASSMENT

Cops file FIR against eight IIM-B officials

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MICO Layout police on Friday registered a case against IIM-Bangalore Director Rishikesh T Krishnan and seven others for caste-based harassment and workplace discrimination.

The case was filed under the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 2014, for insulting or intimidating an SC/ST person (Section 3(1)(r)) and abusing an SC/ST person by caste name (Section 3(1)(s)), and under Sections 351(2) and 351(3) of BNS.

The complaint was registered after an inquiry led by ADGP Arun Chakravarthy of the Directorate of Civil Rights Enforcement (DCRE) that concluded last month, found evidence of harassment and workplace exclusion.

The FIR was also registered against Prof G Sainesh, Prof Dinesh Kumar, Prof Srinivas Prakya, Prof Chetan Subramanian, Prof Ashish Mishra, Prof Sreelata Jonnalagedda and Prof Rahul De. The eight are accused of alleged caste discrimination and denial of equal opportunity to Prof Gopal Das.

In January 2024, Das wrote to President Droupadi Murmu during her visit to IIMB. In May, he again wrote to P Manivannan, principal secretary of the Karnataka Social Welfare department. In response, the department on December 9 directed Bengaluru Police Commissioner to initiate action against the IIM-B officials.

'US Consulate in B'luru will help people of K'taka'

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"WE are very happy about the White House announcement, and I thank Prime Minister Narendra Modi for making it possible. The US Consulate in Bengaluru will help 4-5 lakh people in Karnataka every year to get their visa stamping done, without travelling outside the state," Surya added. The MP said he wrote to External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar in 2019, highlighting Bengaluru's pivotal role in Indo-US ties, with its 370 US-based firms and 750 multinational companies, adding that PM Modi's 2023 visit to the US sealed the decision to establish the Consulate. Surya expressed gratitude to PM Modi, EAM Jaishankar, and US diplomats, calling it a boost to Bengaluru's global stature and US-India relations.

Karnataka IT/BT Minister Priyank Kharge also welcomed the announcement of a US Consulate opening in Bengaluru. "This is great and exciting news! The US Consulate is set to open in Bengaluru in January 2025. This will be a huge boost for Karnataka and will further enhance the economic prowess of the state.

It will help strengthen ties between India and the US, fostering closer diplomatic, technological, and economic collaborations," he stated.

A SWEET TRIBUTE

A cake model of Ratan Tata and SM Krishna at the Annual Cake Show at Palace Grounds in Bengaluru on Friday. The theme of the cake show intertwined the core values and achievements of the two men | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Identify locations to construct public toilets in Mahadevapura, says Girinath

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BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath instructed officials to identify suitable locations for constructing public toilets in Mahadevapura zone. During the 'Chief Commissioner's Walk in the Zone', a citizen requested the construction of public toilets in specific areas. Responding to the same, Girinath assured that steps were being taken to construct 200 new high-tech public toilets in the corporation limits.

He also said that officials have been directed to identify vacant land and call for tenders to complete the project within a set timeframe. Addressing another issue, Girinath acknowledged complaints about water overflowing from drains onto roads in areas like KR Puram, including RNS Colony, Jai Bhuvaneshwari Layout, and Banashankari Layout, which has increased mosquito breeding.

The Zonal Commissioner and Zonal Joint Commissioner inspected the sites, initiated pesticide spraying and fogging, and instructed health officers to intensify mosquito control efforts.

"Most of the problems raised by citizens last time have been resolved. Some other problems are long-term problems, and appropriate steps are being taken to resolve them as soon as possible. In today's programme, more than 35 complaints were received from citizens, and officials have been instructed to resolve them as soon as possible," Girinath added.

2,498 new connections in 110 villages of BBMP

MOHAMMED YACOOB @Bengaluru

CAUVERY STAGE V

The Cauvery Stage V wing of the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) reported receiving 8,447 water connection applications between November 1 to December 17. Of these 2,487 applications still await clearance. It also sanctioned 2,498 new connections in 110 villages, that were merged into the BBMP in 2008. Officials confirmed that water lines have already been laid in these villages to supply 775 MLD of drinking water, allowing cleared applicants to draw water lines at their doorstep.

A senior engineer explaining the process said, "After checking the premises of each applicant, a 'demand' note is issued based on expected water consumption. Once the charges are paid, the application is cleared, and consumers can draw water lines without damaging the BWSSB pipes. So far, 5,906 demand notes have been issued, and applicants should approach the concerned engineers for final connections. The owners will have to approach them and get the water connections at their home."

BWSSB Chairman Ram Prasat Manohar directed officials to intensify awareness campaigns in the 110 villages, to encourage more residents to apply for official water connections.

On the other hand, the Board is also trying to maximise its service and prepare for a likely water tariff hike in January, as mentioned by Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar. While monthly expenses stand at Rs 170 crores, revenue from water bills amount to Rs 129 crore, leaving a Rs 41 crore shortfall. The chairman has forecasted a Rs 4,860-crore loss over the next five years and has written to all 27 MLAs of Bengaluru, seeking their support for increase in water tariff.

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2-day residential mentors' training programme at BIS

Bengaluru:The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Bengaluru organised a two-day residential mentors' training programme for teacher mentors of BIS standards clubs on Thursday. Vijayaveeran K, scientist/director and head of BIS Bengaluru, inaugurated the event and highlighted the programme's objective of equipping mentors with the knowledge required to conduct activities related to quality and standards awareness. The event was attended by Raghuveera BS, KES, director of Urdu and Other Minority Languages, Department of Education; Suresh Kumar K M, KAS, joint director, Department of Technical Education; Mercy Rani S, scientist/deputy director of the BIS Hubballi Branch and others. A total of 56 teacher mentors from various districts of Karnataka and Krishnagiri in Tamil Nadu participated in the programme. The sessions included discussions on the roles and opportunities for teacher mentors, research scholars, and students in the field of quality and standards.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

21ST December: Scientists are now describing the origin of the Universe very much in the same style we find in the Vedas. They believe that initially everything consists of rippling energy. At a certain point someone, or something – rolled a dice – and one of the ripples became a wave. And that wave then grew bigger and bigger. It took on a life of its own, becoming our universe!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
You may have grown tired of the limelight, and the thought of spending a little time by yourself may now be more appealing. If so, you've picked a good moment to hibernate. Adventures in the big, wide world will be tinged by idealism or romantic fancies.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
It may be difficult to come to terms with changes which affect your long-term security, but that is precisely what you must do. On a lighter note, morning and early afternoon offer ideal opportunities for trips which are eccentric, unusual or unexpected.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
This really is a special time. Only one planet directly influences your sign, but that one, Venus, is both poetic and a bringer of beauty. Your major asset right now is therefore your smile. It's amazing how far a little goodwill will ease your path.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
There seems little doubt that renewed determination should see you through. Although there is great scope for confusion and misunderstanding today, if your goals are imaginative and far-seeing you will get your way at home, with good consequences for everyone.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Events that transpired recently may have made you a little doubtful about your, or a partner's, professional actions, but today you may forget such concerns and get on with your own very private activities. Put your dreams into practice: you may not have a second chance.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Your day-dreams tend to take place on a vast and grandiose scale at the moment. Today, however, you may wish to take the plunge and see how your imaginings work out in the real world! You may need expert help, but somehow I feel that for once you are on top.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
There's pressure at home today with a high chance of unexpected developments early on and the occasional personal muddle by midday. This doesn't mean that you'll have a bad time. Far from it - life could be increasingly enjoyable if you look on the bright side.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Romantic relationships look distinctly expensive at the moment. However, you may now indulge an adventurous urge, no matter what the cost. You can look overseas for inspiration or, at the very least, introduce a touch of the exotic into your everyday life.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
If you leave too many decisions to other people you may abdicate responsibility, but this may be no bad thing. There is often something to be said for allowing chance to take a hand and waiting to see what fate turns up. You never know - you might be pleasantly surprised.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
It must be comforting to know that other people love you, but the air-waves may be thick with confusing and contradictory messages today. Watch out for someone who seems to be growing increasingly touchy - maybe there is something you can do to help.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
This should be a busy day, perhaps with an erratic beginning and a confusing middle. As far as your health is concerned, today is a fine moment to get into a new fitness regime. This doesn't mean cutting out your favourite little indulgences, by the way.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Truly splendid romantic and social stars await if you are prepared to be slightly irresponsible. If you insist on punctuality and sobriety, you are likely to cut out the chance of amusing, and possibly inspiring, chaos. Leave yourself open to whatever happens.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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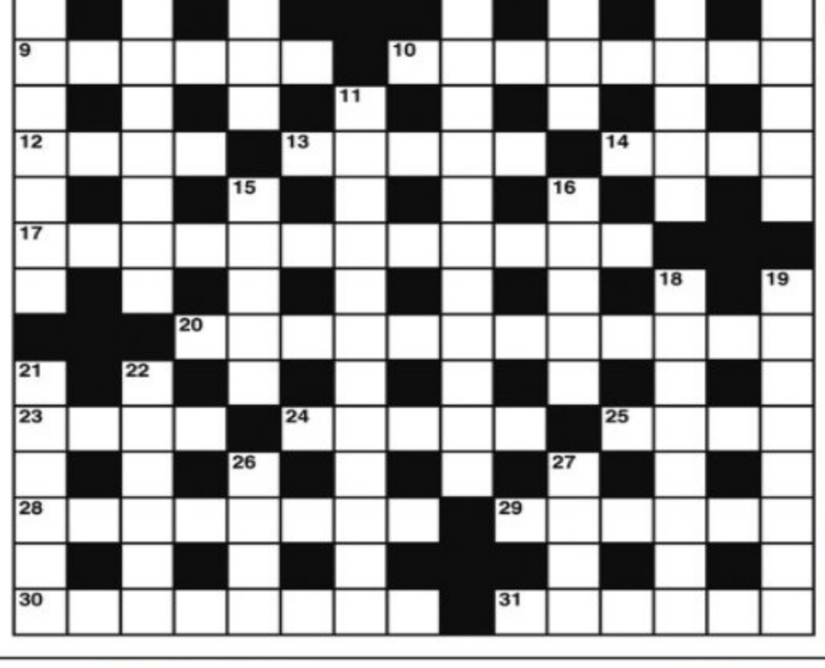

CROSS WORD

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1 It works against the grain (6)
4 Wild colt in desert country (8)
9 Is Cain's brother a girl? (6)
10 Scratch game (8)
12 Eternally the dream of the French revolutionary (4)
13 High points of Danse Macabre (5)
14 A touching article or tract (4)
17 Quite the opposite of true humility (5,7)
20 How to get up fast and maybe have first nod (4,4,4)
23 Seek out supplements (4)
24 Points out a woman with an odd figure (5)
25 Grumpy speculator? (4)
28 Reversed a good deal lazily and without emotion (8)
29 Agree one is about a month in arrears (6)
30 With which one looks for consent in those in a row (8)
31 Singularly I'm the first (6)

DOWN
1 Send a letter but expect only a dead loss (5,3)
2 Yelled at eccentric excitedly (8)
3 Make a note of the time perhaps (4)
5 Distorted opinion the rooster has of life? (8,4)
6 Contrive what is needed to melt ice (4)
7 Keep watch on this chap (6)
8 One said initially to work through records (6)
11 Large sum not declared apparently (6,6)
15 Hard-hearted king whose widow was merry (5)
16 Tears out for a look (5)
18 Without vigour of late? (8)
19 A brief way to stimulate fish (8)
21 Tenant not having so many points (6)
22 Earlier brew of beer (6)
26 Female wear that wasn't long in fashion (4)
27 Getting married in a church will be a high spot (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Scrub, 4 Resolve, 8 Can, 9 Aftermath, 10 Narrate, 11 Excel, 13 Squash, 15 Stated, 18 Adder, 19 Butcher, 21 Promenade, 23 Inn, 24 Charted, 25 Siege.

Down: 1 Seconds, 2 Runaround, 3 Bwana, 4 Rotter, 5 Surfeit, 6 Lea, 7 Ethel, 12 Catch fire, 14 Serpent, 16 Derange, 17 Aboard, 18 Aspic, 20 Tress, 22 Ova.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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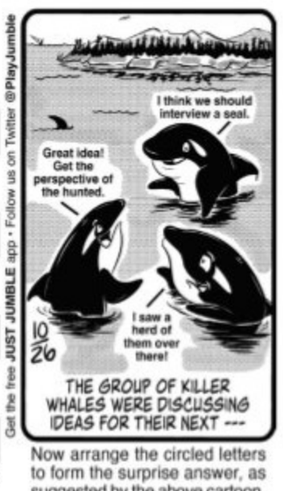
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Great idea! Get the perspective of the hunted.
I saw a herd of them over there!
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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(Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: YOKEL POUCH UNTRUE FIBULA
Answer: The book club was discussing "Walden," which they enjoyed — "THOREAU-LY"

The forest department is undertaking the task of uprooting old eucalyptus trees from government and forest lands in the state, after obtaining permission from the Central government. Though the exercise has already started in some forest and grassland patches, it will be extended to other forests and cities, including Bengaluru

3 ARRESTED FOR RUNNING FAKE TC JOB RACKET

Victims paid Rs 80L to 8 accused for posts, were taken to Nashik, UP for fake training

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

CCB sleuths arrested three men for allegedly cheating four people from Vijayapura by issuing fake ticket collector employment orders of Indian Railways. They are among eight accused. Incidentally, the victims are relatives of the main accused, and had paid Rs 80 lakh to get the posts.

The victims were taken to Nashik in Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh and were given fake training to make them believe it was a genuine employment process. The incident came to light when the four victims went to South Western Railway office in Bengaluru with the offer letters, to report for duty.

The main accused, identified as Lakshmikanth Hosamani, 41, from Vijayapura, had collected Rs 20 lakh each from the four victims after assuring them of the ticket collector's job in the Railways. The victims are said to have paid the money in instalments for almost two years since 2022. The accused had reportedly collected cash and also money through bank transactions. Hosamani and two others sent fake employment orders to the accused online. The other five accused had posed as railway employees and reportedly given fake training to victims at Nashik and in Uttar Pradesh.

"When the victims went to report for duty, they found the recruitment was fake. The main accused is alleged to have threatened them when they demanded money from him. The complaint was registered at the CCB police station on December 9. A search is on for the remaining five accused," said an officer.

CCB police registered a case of cheating along with other sections of the Indian Penal Code and are investigating.

UP FOR THE WEEKEND

Fans of Kannada actor Upendra celebrate the release of his sci-fi action movie 'UI' in the city on Friday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

BTP's new website to help navigate B'luru roads better

Bengaluru Traffic Police (BTP) launched an updated version of its website with new features, including a real-time Traffic Situation Map, to simplify traffic-related services and promote a smoother driving experience in the city. City Police Commissioner B Dayananda inaugurated the website, https://btp.karnataka.gov.in on Friday. According to a press release, the Traffic Situation Map utilises data analytics to provide live updates on traffic congestion, road closures, and diversions, enabling commuters to plan their routes effectively and avoid traffic hot-spots. The website is divided into three key sections-- traffic management, enforcement, and road safety. Additionally, citizens can use the platform to report traffic violations, register complaints and suggestions, and pay or dispute traffic challans. The 'Navigate Bengaluru' section offers dedicated route suggestions and live traffic data, helping users navigate the city efficiently. **ENS**

HC directs NLSIU to provide 0.5% quota for transgenders

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THE Karnataka High Court directed National Law School of India University (NLSIU) to implement directions issued by the Supreme Court in NALSA's (National Legal Services Authority) case, by formulating reservation along with measures for providing financial aid to transgenders in education before commencement of the admission process for next year.

Until then, NLSIU has to provide reservation of 0.5 per cent (half the percentage of reservation provided for transgenders in employment under the state) as interim reservation with a fee waiver and for which NLSIU may apply to the state or central government for the appropriate grant, the high court added.

At the same time, the court said the state can take note of claims for reservation for transgenders in education also, and formulate reservation and fee reimbursement policy as contained in the judgement of the apex court in NALSA's case.

Justice Ravi V Hosamani passed the order while directing NLSIU to admit Mugil Anbu Vasantha under interim reservation for transgenders if there is no other transgender candidate who seeks or is admitted to third year LLB course for the current academic year.

Issuing directions while partly allowing the petition filed by Mugil Anbu Vasantha, the court said the present admission and financial aid policy of NLSIU is discriminatory against transgenders, and deprived them of pursuing LLB course; objections of NLSIU being technical require to be ignored.

"In view of the fact that interim reservation is necessitated due to failure to carry out directions issued by the Supreme Court in NALSA's case, admission of transgender candidates in pursuance of this order should not be treated as excess...," the court said.

The petitioner obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree from Mahatma Gandhi University and Master of Arts in Development Studies from TATA Institute of Social Sciences. After realising that she was a female-to-male transgender person, the name was changed in 2022. Admission to LLB course was denied by NLSIU.

Therefore, she moved the high court. Following the interim order, she was admitted for the academic year 2023-24 but was asked to pay a fee. When she expressed inability to pay, NLSIU said admission would be cancelled.

In view of the fact that interim reservation is necessitated due to failure to carry out directions issued by the Supreme Court in NALSA's case, admission of transgender candidates in pursuance of this order should not be treated as excess... — Karnataka High Court

Man held for selling 500 SIM cards to cyber-scammers

Mangaluru: The Mangaluru City police have arrested an Odisha-based cyber-scammer who was travelling to Dubai via the New Delhi international airport. The arrested, Kanathala Vasudeva Reddy, aged 25, from Ganjam district sold over 500 sim cards in Dubai. A case was registered with Mangaluru CEN Crime police after a person from Mangaluru lost Rs 10.84 lakh to a share market investment fraud. The accused had sent a link promising high returns in investments.

In another similar share market investment fraud, the Mangaluru city police arrested a person named Jayanth P from Kozhikode in Kerala who had used his bank account for cyber-fraud. A case was registered after a person lost Rs 40.64 lakh after investing in a fake investment app. **ENS**

34 students, teachers on tour injured as bus overturns

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Honnavar

AS many as 34 students and teachers sustained minor injuries when the private bus in which they were travelling overturned near Aroli Cross in Honnavar taluk, Uttara Kannada district, late Thursday night. The bus was carrying 40 people and was returning to Kolar from an educational trip to Gokarna, when the accident took place.

The private bus that met with an accident in Honnavar taluk on Thursday

The students and teachers who suffered minor injuries were shifted to Honnavar Government Hospital with the assistance of police and locals. Among them, two boys and two girls need advanced medical treatment and were referred to Manipal's KMC Hospital on the advice of doctors. They have already reached the hospital and are undergoing treatment.

The accident took place near Honnavar town, at a curve near Aroli in Mugwa Gram Panchayat limits. The bus was carrying students from Karnataka High School in Mastihalli, Malur taluk, Kolar district.

This is the fourth such accident being reported in the district over the past month which involves students on educational tours.

EXPRESS READ

RSETI Mandya celebrates silver jubilee

Bengaluru: Rural Self Employment Training Institute (RSETI), Mandya, sponsored by Bank of Baroda (BoB), celebrated its silver jubilee on Thursday. The celebration began with the unveiling of a commemorative plaque and the inauguration of a modernised kitchen at RSETI. The event was graced by executive directors of BoB Lal Singh and Beena Vaheed; Inder Mohan Singh, general manager, BoB, Bengaluru zone and others. In alignment with 'BOB EARTH' go green initiative by the bank, the dignitaries also participated in a tree-planting ceremony within the RSETI premises. **ENS**

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The meeting between Panchamsali MLAs and Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, scheduled for Saturday, has been postponed. The CM's office stated that the chief minister will be preoccupied with last-minute preparations for the Belagavi AICC meeting, leaving no time for crucial discussions with the Panchamsali community

● BJP to lodge complaint with National Human Rights Commission over arrest ● Ashoka says Ravi will not apologise till allegations proved in court ● MLC says police treated him like a terrorist, filed a fake case against him

BJP leaders R Ashoka, B Y Vijayendra, Aravind Bellad and others with MLC C T Ravi on Belagavi court premises on Friday

POLICE TRIED TO BREAK RAVI, TOOK HIM ACROSS 4 DISTS: BJP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Davanagere

LEADER of Opposition in the Legislative Assembly R Ashoka on Friday said the BJP will formally lodge a complaint with the National Human Rights Commission over the "manhandling, illegal arrest, overnight torture and subsequent threats" against former minister and MLC CT Ravi by the Belagavi police and the Congress-led state government.

Addressing the media in the city, he said the police tried to pressurise Ravi and weaken him mentally and physically by taking him across four districts covering 800 km, stopping at isolated places. "The state government which treats terrorists with a red carpet has treated BJP leader Ravi like a terrorist, which is very sad," he said.

Ashoka said he was made to wait for more than five hours outside the Khanapur police station. Questioning the presence of the Belagavi city commissioner of police at Khanapur police station, Ashoka said the investigating officer was pressured by the commissioner, who doesn't have any jurisdiction.

In the earlier incident of the alleged raising of "Pakistan Zindabad" slogans by the supporter of Rajya Sabha MP Dr Nasir Hussain, the state government acted softly. They even didn't issue notice till the report from FSL came and arrested the accused. But now Ravi was detained and arrested illegally without any notice and within hours of receiving the complaint, he criticised.

The police, even without knowing the jurisdiction of the legislature, arrested Ravi illegally. Legislature immunity issue was also not looked at by the police and they acted like goondas, he alleged. "If any shame is left with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and the Congress-led state government, they should resign immediately," he said. Terming the Karnataka High Court decision to provide interim relief to Ravi as a landmark decision, he said the people of the state will kick out the Congress government and Chief Minister Siddaramaiah should be counting his days, said Ashoka.

He also said Ravi will not apologise till the allegations against him is proved in the court. If the charges are proved, they will not hesitate to apologise.

Satya Mewa Jayathe: Ravi

Reiterating the statement Satya Mewa Jayathe, which he said at Belagavi in the morning, Ravi said the 8-10 hours of journey across four districts was horrific.

He said even though he was bleeding due to the injury on his forehead, police didn't show any interest in getting him treated and he was even kept hungry throughout night, because of which his health had deteriorated. Ravi said his complaint was not even received by the police at Khanapur or by the office of the chairman of the Legislative Council. Ravi said his version of the incident was not heard. Ravi questioned whether there is a Constitutional administration or Congress administration in Karnataka. He further questioned whether there is an autocratic government or democratically elected government.

Questioning the way he was arrested by the police, he said the police treated him like a terrorist by filing a fake case and an FIR was not registered against his complaint at Khanapur.

Bail a tight slap on govt: Vijayendra

Davanagere: Terming the decision of the Karnataka High Court to grant interim bail to MLC CT Ravi as a "tight slap" on the face of the state government, BJP state president BY Vijayendra on Friday said, "The police not only created a fear psychosis by taking Ravi across four districts of Gadag, Vijayapura, Belagavi and Dharwad throughout the night, but also also attacked him physically and mentally."

Will they support derogatory comments against a woman? I don't know why Ravi used such a word
Siddaramaiah, Chief Minister

This is not new for him. He had used such words against several people...
DK Shivakumar, Deputy CM

Police: Ravi was moved to several places to prevent attacks on him

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR @Belagavi

HIGH drama unfolded during the last 24 hours following the arrest of MLC C T Ravi on charges of verbally abusing Women and Child Development Minister Lakshmi Hebbalkar in the Legislative Council in Belagavi and until his release from police custody after the High Court granted him bail late on Friday evening.

Several groups of Hebbalkar's supporters began searching for the whereabouts of Ravi as soon as the Hirebagewadi police took him to the police station near Suvarna Vidhana Soudha after his arrest on Thursday evening. Some of the miscreants attempted to attack him in the soudha before he was taken away by the police.

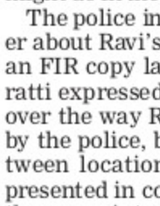
Belagavi Police Commissioner Iada Martin Marbaniang told *TNIE* that several people (supporters of Hebbalkar) were following Ravi in an attempt to attack him after the police arrested him. To ensure the safety of Ravi, he said the police had to shift him from one place to another late on Thursday night. Sources said he was taken to Hirebagewadi, Khanapur, Yaragatti, M K Hubli, Ramdurg, Lokapur and Dharwad before he was brought back to Belagavi.

Several BJP leaders, including Leader of Opposition in Legislative Assembly R Ashoka alleged that Ravi, who had sustained a head injury, was mentally and physically harassed by the police and was taken to forests and remote places until Friday morning. A massive protest was staged by BJP workers and leaders at Chennamma Circle in protest against the arrest of Ravi on Friday afternoon, which led to massive traffic congestion on several roads surrounding the circle. Earlier, many Congress activists also staged a protest in support of Hebbalkar, demanding stringent action against Ravi for making a derogatory remark against her in the House. Under the leadership of Congress leader Yuvaraj Kadam, a large procession of Congress workers will be taken out from Chennamma Circle to the DC's office at 11 am on Saturday demanding the suspension of Ravi from the Legislative Council.

When the police were taking Ravi to produce him to a Belagavi court on Friday afternoon, a huge gathering of BJP leaders and workers thronged the court, which included Ashoka, BJP State President B Y Vijayendra, MLCs Sunil Kumar, Aravind Bellad and MLA Abhay Patil.

At the court premises, Congress workers also staged a protest urging the court against granting bail to Ravi soon after the latter was taken inside. Later, the Additional Civil Judge, 5th JMFC Court, shifted the case to the Special Court for Public Representatives, Bengaluru, and did not grant him bail. A team of Belagavi police took him to Bengaluru to produce him before the court there on Friday afternoon.

Ravi hurled slurs at me 10 times, says Lakshmi



Belagavi: Women and Child Development Minister Lakshmi Hebbalkar said MLC C T Ravi attempted to tarnish her reputation by making derogatory remarks against her at least 10 times in the Legislative Council on Thursday afternoon when both sides were hurling allegations against each other during a debate on Home Minister's Amit Shah's remarks on Ambedkar. Speaking to a section of the media at her residence in Belagavi on Friday, Hebbalkar said she could not control herself when opposition members were humiliating Congress leader Rahul Gandhi by calling him a drug addict. "I will not back off from what I spoke in the Council. When Ravi was repeatedly insulting Rahul Gandhi, I hit back, saying that you (Ravi) killed three people in an accident. I will stand by my statement, but Ravi is lying that he never made any derogatory remarks. Many people have video-recorded what he said," she added. ENS

HDK, Bommai slam police action against Ravi

Bengaluru: Union Minister H D Kumaraswamy on Friday slammed the state government over the alleged attack on BJP MLC CT Ravi in the corridors of Suvarna Vidhana Soudha in Belagavi. Kumaraswamy said if Ravi used obscene words against minister Lakshmi Hebbalkar, they will not justify it, but the minister's response and the hooliganism of her supporters are completely unacceptable. "When hooligans are chasing legislators through the corridors of the Assembly, attempting murder, assaulting marshals and displaying criminal behaviour, it is clear that they have powerful backing," Kumaraswamy said. Former CM and BJP MP Basavaraj Bommai accused the Congress government of inhumanly torturing Ravi. Speaking to reporters in New Delhi, he said the government cannot justify the police's behaviour. Ravi has denied making any obscene statements. The police have violated the law, acting under political influence, he said. ENS

Veerashaiva Mahasabha backs Hebbalkar

Bengaluru: The Akhila Bharata Veerashaiva Mahasabha condemned MLC C T Ravi for his alleged derogatory remarks on Women and Child Welfare Minister Lakshmi Hebbalkar and urged the government to take necessary legal action against him. In a note released to the press, mahasabha president Shamanur Shivashankarappa strongly condemned the use of derogatory words. "I was very saddened to see the report in the media about Ravi's use of obscene words during the verbal exchange with Hebbalkar at Suvarna Vidhana Soudha in Belagavi. People's representatives should protect the honour and dignity of the House. The behaviour of elected representatives inside and outside the House should be a model for others. ENS

Tried to broker resolution, says Horatti

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HORATTI said that after hearing both sides, he tried to mediate and encourage a peaceful resolution, but both insisted on action. Since there was no corroborative evidence in the House to substantiate claims of both, Horatti referred to the House rule book – Kaul and Shakdhar, and stated that the House had no jurisdiction over what the police might do in the matter.

The police informed him later about Ravi's arrest, sending an FIR copy late at night. Horatti expressed dissatisfaction over the way Ravi was treated by the police, being moved between locations before being presented in court. He warned the superintendent of police that serious action would be taken if such incidents are brought up before the House. The SP clarified that the delay was because of the judge's direction for Ravi's appearance in an open court and that the MLC would be presented the following morning.

Expressing deep disappointment over the incident, Horatti said it caused him emotional distress.

What was the necessity for outright arrest, asks court

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HOWEVER, nothing is placed before the court to satisfy these conditions and prima facie case is made out for release. The petitioner is an MLC and the question of absconding does not arise, and is entitled for release, the court said.

Senior advocate Sandesh Chouta, appearing for Ravi, argued that the Council Chairman made a statement indicating that there is no audio or video recording of the alleged derogatory remarks. The notice has to be issued under Section 35 as per the verdict of the apex court in the Arnesh Kumar case. Non-issuance of notice is a gross violation of fundamental rights and the petitioner is entitled for immediate release. Further, the police have not issued a memo containing the grounds and reasons for the arrest. The high court can direct for release of the petitioner invoking Article 226 of the Constitution as the law laid down by the Supreme Court in the Arnab Goswami case, he argued, pointing out the bleeding injury suffered by the petitioner for which he was advised to undergo a CT scan to ascertain internal injuries.

State Public Prosecutor Belliappa BA argued that the bail petition of the accused is pending before the special court, to which the court observed that it wants to know whether notice under Section 35 is not applicable for the arrest, without going into the technicalities of the case. Belliappa replied that he had not yet received any instructions on the notice, but the petitioner was behaving like a freedom fighter, as per the footage.

Orally observing that it had not seen the footage of the incident, the court asked what was the necessity for outright arrest when the offence carries a punishment of a maximum of four years. "Are none of the decisions of the Supreme Court, cited by the petitioner, not applicable to the police?" the court observed.

Police carry BJP Yuva Morcha secretary Sachin Kumar, who was injured, to safety after a clash in Chikkamagaluru on Friday | EXPRESS

BJP, CONGRESS WORKERS CLASH DURING PROTEST

ENS @ Chikkamagaluru

BJP and Congress workers clashed in the city during the Chikkamagaluru bandh call given by the saffron party on Friday to protest against MLA C T Ravi's arrest. Though the bandh mostly fell flat with normal life functioning as usual, minor skirmishes and vandalism were reported.

Educational institutions and business establishments functioned as usual, bus services remained unaffected and theatres screened shows without any disruptions. BJP workers tried to force shop owners on MG Road to down their shutters. When the shopkeepers resisted, the workers set tyres and a motorbike on fire.

The Congress too staged a protest in Azad Park condemning Ravi. BJP workers objected to the Congress protestors remarks against Ravi and a clash erupted between the two groups. BJP Yuva Morcha secretary Sachin Kumar was injured in the clash and was rescued by the police, who resorted to a mild lathicharge.

Cong, AAP stage protests against Shah, Ravi

Bengaluru: The Congress on Friday staged protests against Union Home Minister Amit Shah over his Ambedkar remarks and against BJP MLC C T Ravi for his alleged derogatory remark against Women and Child Welfare Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar. The AAP and various Dalit organisations also staged a series of protests separately demanding the resignation of Shah. Led by women Congress president Sowmya Reddy, party workers laid siege to the BJP office in Malleshwaram. They urged that Ravi should be dismissed from his MLC post. When they tried to force their way inside the office, the police took them to preventive custody. In the evening, Youth Congress workers staged a torch light protest at Anand Rao Circle. Aam Aadmi Party workers staged a protest at Freedom Park, stating that Shah is unfit to continue as a Union minister. "He should resign immediately," said Bengaluru City General Secretary Jagadish Chandra, who led the protest."Ambedkar is equal to God for all of us and the party will not tolerate anyone who makes statements that insult our God," he added. ENS

MY TAKE

Allowing chaos through a lack of science and system

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OBSERVE Bengaluru closely. You will wonder whether there is any scientific basis at all in a city of its scale and magnitude. It is much-touted as a "global city", even "science city" because of its link to science. But quite apparently there's none of it in the way the city functions.

While the government, local authorities, and civic and mobility experts have been appealing for reliance on public/mass rapid transport, walking and cycling, there is a conspicuous lack of facilities for the latter. The former — although picking up — suffers from a lack of effective last-mile connectivity. This forces citizens to prefer their private transport over the prescribed modes. It further contributes to the intolerable congestion on Bengaluru roads daily at almost all hours of the day — sometimes at night, too.

Private transport itself could have been disciplined had our regional transport offices (RTOs) churned out quality drivers and riders post grilling through stringent and challenging test formats for only the most deserving and responsible ones to qualify for driving licences. Unfortunately, that is not the case.

The perpetuation of a weak system of granting driving licences leaves much to be suspected. It benefits many stakeholders linked to these RTOs, who benefit from the very inadequacies that contribute to the malaise on the city roads. It justifies the mischievous and exaggerated description about Indian drivers: "Put three vehicles with drivers on any Bengaluru road, and you will have a traffic jam." Sometimes, it is hardly exaggerated.

The lackadaisical, indifferent and care-two-hoots-for-the-authorities attitude of motorists is far too evident at traffic signals — ideal locations to witness it live. It is common to see motorists jumping signals even in the presence of the traffic police, oblivious to the fact that the police do not interfere with most violations because technology is doing that. Thousands of cameras across the city are constantly monitoring traffic violations while unsuspecting motorists go about their bold, dare-the-cops violations.

It's a part of "contactless policing" that has been ushered in lately. But a significant section of motorists continue unawares that they are already booked for their violations. This explains why some of them, when stopped by the traffic police for documents checks, are shocked out of their wits when informed about astronomical pending amounts as fines that need to be paid if their vehicles are not to be seized.

Perceptions about our traffic police and laws, too, are questionable. Many who resort to violations while hoping to escape penalties, given the weak enforcement, would have no qualms about strictly following similar laws were they to be in a similar predicament abroad, especially the Western countries where enforcement is very strict. For the strangest of reasons, enforcement is seen as encroaching upon freedom and rights of citizens!

Chaos on the roads of a once-pristine-now-congested city, which we so lovingly call "Namma Bengaluru", has triggered ideas that are hoped to be consumed as impressive solutions to the problem. But a city with a population of 1.4 crore, and a population density of 4,378 people per square kilometre, urgently needs the very basic civic fundamental infrastructure to be put in place rather than hi-fi solutions that can only impress some minds, but fail to bring tangible solutions on the ground even if they see the light of day.

If the aim is to make people walk or use bicycles (or even tricycles and wheelchairs), there have to be even and safe footpaths and cycle tracks for people of all ages and physical conditions to use them. Their absence should have jolted the city administrators out of their reverie, but that does not seem to happen. Neither is there any shrill demands from the public for footpaths and cycle tracks. The dangerous result is for all to see. But it fails to appeal to caution — people in droves walk on the roads, many of them with their backs to the approaching traffic, like an open invitation to be mowed down. These include children, too; and even parents with kids on the traffic side, as if carelessly driven vehicles were myths, despite potential death staring at their backsides is as real as it can get.

What stares back at any observer is not mere foolishness on the part of the people or the lack of enforcement by the authorities, but a sheer absence of common sense, threat perception and a bit of science in either. The same applies to designing safe roads, flyovers and flood-proofing localities — something more complicated than footpaths.

What is worrying is that if this is the state of affairs in Namma Bengaluru, the state capital, it could well be replayed in other cities of Karnataka, which are at a stage that Bengaluru (as Bangalore) once was decades ago. We need a system with a scientific approach in place with a simple objective: safety and convenience of the people. Sooner it is brought into place, the better. It does not require rocket science!

A female bear and her two cubs died in an IED explosion in the Dantewada forest, Chhattisgarh, on Friday. The incident took place close to Bhadrachalam agency border. According to police, Maoists had planted the IED to kill the police personnel

GoRuCha BATS FOR KANNADA AS MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION

Objects to English being imposed in schools, says it must be taught as a subject

CM Siddaramaiah launches the 87th Kannada Sahitya Sammelana stamp and book in Mandya on Friday | UDAYASHANKAR S

K SHIVA KUMAR @ Mandya

KANNADA Sahitya Sammelana President Go Ru Channabasappa advocates Kannada as the medium of instruction from primary school to high school, and wants English as a subject. In his presidential address at the 87th Sammelana, the veteran writer took strong objection to imposing English in schools, and said he is not against teaching English as a subject.

Expressing concern over the mushrooming and spread of English medium schools, he fears that the trend will deliver a mortal blow to Kannada. As the government changed school education, the status of Kannada changed as a first, second and third language.

Regretting the condition of government schools in villages, he expressed concern at their amalgamation, which resulted in the closure of many schools in rural areas. The government opened composite schools in all panchayats with the best infrastructure and teaching staff to compete with private schools.

Admitting that parents are sending their wards to English medium schools to ensure bright career prospects, Go Ru Channabasappa said imparting school education in Kannada and teaching English as a subject would not in any way damage children's prospects, and felt the need to educate parents.

He suggested that overseas Kannadigas and voluntary organisations should be brought under the committee to come up with suggestions to address core issues to upgrade government schools. Technology should be used for development of the language and data upgraded on social media platforms, with the support of the government. However, top bureaucrats lack interest and commitment, he said.

Opposing the imposition of Hindi on the states, he suggested that Kannada Sahitya Parishat organise two or three interstate Kannada meets to strengthen social, educational, literary and financial bindings, other than opening Kannada learning centres.

In his address, Channabasappa highlighted gender equality and discrimination of women in society and expressed dismay over the lack of equal opportunities for women in many spheres, including legislature and Parliament. "Though netas promise to establish gender equality, they have all proved hollow as nothing concrete has been done for its implementation for 77 years," he said. "Women's representation is less than 13 per cent in Parliament and 5 per cent in the Karnataka assembly."

KaSaPa chief lauds Mandya's enduring love for Kannada

Highlighting the rich cultural and literary heritage of Mandya, Kannada Sahitya Parishat president Mahesh Joshi emphasised Mandya's role in promoting social harmony, friendship, and resilience. Speaking at the 87th Akila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana which commenced here on Friday, Joshi: "Mandya is known for its grit and determination. The people here are Negilayogis - true sons of the soil."

PROMOTION OF KANNADA TO GET LEGAL COVER: CM

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WITHOUT taking BJP's name, he said the ruling party at the Centre is altering the pluralistic character of the Constitution. It is everyone's responsibility to protest against such attacks on the Constitution, he added.

He recalled that poet laureate and Karnataka Ratna Kuvempu had warned that a language would prosper only if it's used, and it would go extinct if left unused. It is high time that problems posed to the pride of Kannada language, art and folklore are addressed. The Sahitya Sammelana should keep this in mind during its deliberations, he added.

A 25-foot statue of Bhuvaneshwari Devi, the presiding deity of Karnataka, will be installed at Vidhana Soudha. The cause and promotion of Kannada will get the legal cover, he added.

He said that during his previous government between 2013 and 2018, he had allocated Rs 1,171 crore to promote Kannada and label products in Kannada. In the fiscal year 2024-25, Rs 501 crore has been released for a similar purpose. A gallery to showcase the cultural history of the state will be set up at the old deputy commissioner's office in Mysuru, he said.

The government is committed to make Kannada an administrative language as bills, acts, government orders and cabinet notes will be in Kannada. Officials have been given clear instructions, he said.

HC protects KTR from arrest till December 30

TG NAIDU @ Hyderabad

THE Telangana High Court on Friday directed authorities not to arrest BRS working president KT Rama Rao till December 30, 2024 while allowing the investigation in the Formula-E race case to proceed.

Hearing a lunch motion petition filed by Rama Rao seeking quashing of the proceedings against him, Justice NV Shravan Kumar directed the respondents — ACB and MAUD Principal Secretary M Dana Kishore — to file their counters by December 27, the next date of hearing.

The case pertains to allegations of procedural violations and financial irregularities in the conduct of the Formula-E race in Hyderabad.

The ACB registered the case as Crime No.12/RCO-CIU ACB-2024 under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, and the IPC, naming Rama Rao as Accused No. 1 (A-1).

The complaint, filed by Dana Kishore, alleges that the HMDA transferred ₹54.88 crore to Formula-E Operations Ltd. (FEO) and other entities without necessary administrative approvals. It accuses Rama Rao and two government officials of conspiring to cause wrongful loss to the state exchequer and gain for third parties.

Appearing for Rama Rao, senior counsel A Sundaram alleged that the case was politically motivated and lacked merit. He highlighted the absence of evidence showing personal pecuniary benefit to his client or conspiracy with private entities. Sundaram argued that the complaint and FIR were registered hastily without preliminary inquiry and cited Supreme Court precedents to support the plea to quash the FIR.

BRS MLAs protest during the Assembly session in Hyderabad on Friday

For the state, Advocate General A Sudarshan Reddy contended that the payments deviated from government business rules and lacked requisite permissions. He highlighted that the Governor sanctioned proceedings against Rama Rao on December 17 and emphasised the need for a detailed inquiry to uncover the truth and urged the court not to quash the FIR at this stage.

After hearing both sides, Justice Shravan Kumar granted the interim relief.

NETTARU MURDER

NIA arrests absconding PFI member in Delhi

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ bengaluru

THE NIA on Friday arrested an absconding state executive member of the banned Popular Front of India (PFI) in BJP leader Praveen Nettaru's murder case.

In an official release, NIA stated that "Kodaje Mohammed Sherif, who had a lookout circular against him, was picked up on arrival from Bahrain at Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi".

"Sherif was the PFI state executive committee member and head of the outfit's service team. He, along with the co-accused, was involved in imparting arms training to service team members in Freedom Community Hall, Mittur. Kodaje was also responsible for conveying instructions for targeted killings after discussion at the state executive committee of PFI. It was on these instructions that accused Mustafa Paichar and his team had brutally hacked Praveen Nettaru to death," the NIA stated. "The conspiracy was aimed at spreading terror and communal hatred and unrest in society."

Nettaru was a BJP Yuva Morcha member. He was allegedly murdered by PFI cadres and members on July 26, 2022, in Bellare village of Sullia taluk in Dakshina Kannada District. NIA, which took over investigation on August 4, 2022, has so far arrested 20 persons and charge sheeted 23 accused, including three absconders, in the case RC-36/2022/NIA/DLI.

MEMORIES OF WINTER

Members of a family huddle together around a campfire, to keep themselves warm on a chilly Friday night, in Karimnagar, Telangana | EXPRESS

EXPRESS READ

BJP's Navya moves HC against Priyanka's election

KOCHI: Navya Haridas, who represented BJP in the Wayanad Lok Sabha bypoll, filed a petition before the Kerala High Court on Friday, challenging the election of Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra as MP. According to her petition, the affidavit filed along with Priyanka's nomination papers did not disclose essential information about her and her family members' assets. Navya argued that Priyanka has thus misled the voters and canvassed votes for her. It went against the conduct of election rules, she said. The petitioner sought to declare the election of the Congress candidate void. Priyanka won the election, defeating her immediate rival, CPI's Satyan Mokeri, by a margin of 4,10,931 votes.

'Terribly wrong': SC objects to Balaji's reappointment as TN minister

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY
@ New Delhi

EXPRESSING serious concern over the fact that how DMK leader V Senthil Balaji was reinstated as a minister in the Tamil Nadu government, days after he was granted bail in a money laundering case over the cash-for-job scam, the Supreme Court on Friday noted that it was "terribly wrong" to do so.

The two-judge bench of the apex court, led by Justice Abhay S Oka and Justice Augustine George Masih, passed these remarks on Friday, as it was hearing a plea filed by one of the complainants in the case, K Vidhya Kumar, seeking recall of the court's September 26 verdict that released Balaji on bail after his incarceration since June 2023.

While issuing notice to the state of Tamil Nadu on the plea of Kumar, the apex court sought details from the state about the cases pending against Balaji and the number of witnesses which are required to be examined in the money laundering case related to the cash-for-jobs scam.

It also asked Tamil Nadu to submit the details about how many victims witnesses are public servants and how many are common people as witnesses and posted the matter for further hearing to January 15, next year.

The ED, which is the probe agency in the case, told the apex court that Balaji's reappointment as a cabinet minister after his release from jail has created undue pressure on witnesses.

After hearing the submissions of the ED, the SC questioned, "if this man (Balaji) occupying the position of cabinet minister, what will happen to victims?" The bench thereby clarified that it wanted to know from the state how many victims are there.

In the last date of hearing on December 2, the Supreme Court expressed its displeasure and serious concern as to how Balaji was reappointed as a cabinet minister, soon after he was granted bail by this court in a money-laundering case arising out of an alleged cash-for-jobs scam matter. "We grant bail, and the next day, you go and become a minister! This must stop. Anybody will be bound to think that witnesses will now be under pressure because of your position as a senior cabinet minister. What is this going on?", the bench had said.

Forest dept to uproot eucalyptus trees from govt, forest land

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE state forest department is undertaking the task of uprooting old eucalyptus trees from government and forest lands in the state, after obtaining permission from the Central government. Though this exercise has already started in some forest and grassland patches, including Ranebenur Blackbuck Sanctuary, it will be extended to other forests and cities, including Bengaluru and its surroundings.

A senior forest official told The New Indian Express: "Uprooting of eucalyptus trees is being made a part of the working plan of each forest division. The purpose of doing this is to improve natural vegetation and also make way for indigenous species."

In case of Bengaluru and its surroundings, around 75 acres have been identified. Old eucalyptus trees will be removed from forest patches, including Turahalli minor forest. Some activists have opposed the decision, citing it as part of the green cover of the state. They also pointed out that strong objections were raised when the forest department and Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) had taken a decision to clear eucalyptus trees for the National Military Memorial in Bengaluru.

However, many other conservationists said it is a good idea. Noted environmentalist and former forest official AN Yellappa Reddy said eucalyptus trees were introduced in the country in the 1950s when a foreign industrialist had suggested to the government to plant eucalyptus, reasoning that it is a fast growing species and would help meet the demands of the pulp, paper and rayon factories. Eucalyptus was promoted instead of bamboo which was termed to be a slow growing species, underplaying its ecological value.

Reddy stated that eucalyptus was introduced in Nandi Hills in the 17th century and after this a hybrid variety had evolved, called Mysore Hybrid, which the state government promoted and farmers also started growing for quick returns. "Over time, it has been realised that this has led to no grass, no soil rejuvenation, and no humus in soil. It was understood that eucalyptus trees suck up all the water and affect groundwater levels. Realising that it is not good for the ecosystem, the forest department has taken this decision. Instead, emphasis should be laid to ensure indigenous species are planted and the ecosystem is maintained," he added.

SAINIK SCHOOL KALIKIRI, ANNAMAYYA DIST (AP)
(Under the aegis of Sainik Schools Society, Ministry of Defence)

ACADEMIC & ADMIN STAFF REQUIRED ON CONTRACTUAL BASIS

Sainik School Kalikiri invites applications from eligible candidates for the following vacancies on temporary Contractual basis for a period of one year.

S. No	Post	Consolidated Pay(p.m)	No. of Vacancies UR	OBC NCL	SC
1.	Medical Officer	Rs.73,491 /-	01	-	-
2.	PGT (Computer Science)	Rs. 62,356/-	-	01	-
3.	PGT (Mathematics)	Rs. 62,356/-	01	-	-
4.	TGT (Social Science)	Rs. 58,819/-	-	-	01
5.	PTI-cum-Matron (Female)	Rs. 58,819/-	01	-	-
6.	Counsellor	Rs. 58,819/-	-	01	-
7.	Horse Riding Instructor	Rs. 38,252/-	01	-	-

Interested candidates may apply to the Principal, Sainik School Kalikiri, Annamayya District, Andhra Pradesh, PIN - 517234 within 21 days after publication of the advertisement. Eligible and shortlisted candidates will be called for the selection process on a date to be intimated later. No TA/DA is admissible to candidates called for Test/Interview. **The School administration reserves the right to cancel any or all the vacancies due to administrative reasons.**

For application form and further details visit Schools website **https://sskal.ac.in/careers.**

Sd/-PRINCIPAL

No.26-22/2019-DD-III
Government of India
Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
5th Floor, B Wing, Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex,
Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003

Appointment of Chairperson, National Trust, New Delhi

Applications are invited for appointment to the post of Chairperson, National Trust, New Delhi under the administrative control of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India, New Delhi.

2. Detailed advertisement is available on the website of the Department depwd.gov.in. Candidates fulfilling the eligibility criteria may apply in the prescribed pro-forma, together with supporting documents. Application form may be downloaded from the website depwd.gov.in (Home page: Career - Click on the vacancy circular for the post of Chairperson, National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism. Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities). The last date of receipt of applications would be within 30 days from the date of publishing of the advertisement in Employment News Rozgar Samachar.

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Government of Karnataka
GULBARGA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, KALABURAGI
(Autonomous Institution of Govt. of Karnataka)
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No. GIMS/KLB/EST-1/Walkin interview/CR-144/ /2024-25/1979 Date: 21-12-2024

WALK-IN-INTERVIEW NOTIFICATION

Applications are invited from eligible candidates for the following posts i.e., Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor for Superspeciality Hospital at Gulbarga Institute of Medical Sciences, Kalaburagi. Candidates are advised to fill the application in the prescribed form and submit on or before **01-01-2025 5.00 PM** to the office of the Director Gulbarga Institute of Medical Sciences, Kalaburagi either in person or through "Registered post". Candidates appearing for the interview shall report to the office between 8.30 am to 10.30am on the day of interview on **03-01-2025** to get their original documents / credentials verified and to appear before the selection committee along with original documents and 2 sets of photocopies duly attested by gazetted officer, with 2 recent passport size photographs. Candidates are required to submit the application along with necessary documents and a DD for Rs.500/- (Non refundable) drawn in favour of "DIRECTOR, GIMS Kalaburagi" The candidates seeking reservation shall submit their recent Caste/caste cum Income Certificate as applicable along with their application forms. The candidates belonging to Kalyan Karnataka region shall be regarded as local persons if he/she produces eligibility certificate issued by Jurisdictional Assistant Commissioner, Revenue sub division as specified in the Govt Order no DPAR 43 HKC 2013 dt 29/01/2014. The details of available posts are as follows.

Professors

Sl No	Department	Total No of posts
1	Neurosurgery	1
2	Urology	1
	TOTAL	02

Associate Professor

1	Neurosurgery	1
2	Urology	1
3	Pediatric Surgery	1
4	Plastic Surgery	1
5	Surgical Gastroenterology	1
6	Medical Gastroenterology	1
7	Neurology	1
8	Nephrology	1
	TOTAL	08

Assistant Professor

Sl No	Department	Total No of posts
1	Neurosurgery	1
2	Urology	1
3	Pediatric Surgery	1
4	Plastic Surgery	1
5	Surgical Gastroenterology	1
6	Medical Gastroenterology	1
7	Neurology	1
8	Nephrology	1
9	Endocrinology	1
10	Anesthesia	2
	TOTAL	11

The detailed notification and application form can be downloaded from Website: **https://gimsgulbarga.karnataka.gov.in/english**

Sd/- Dean & Director
Gulbarga Institute of Medical Sciences, Kalaburagi

DIPR/Kalaburagi/756/KSMC&A/2024-25

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ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆ, ಹೊನ್ನಾಳಿ. ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ (ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ)

Email:-ghhonnali@gmail.com

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸಾಆಹೊ/131/24-25 ದಿನಾಂಕ:18/12/2024

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ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆ ಹೊನ್ನಾಳಿ ಇಲ್ಲಿಗೆ 2024-25 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗೆ ಹೊರಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಮಾನವ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲ ಸೇವೆ, ಪಥ್ಯಾಹಾರ, ಬ್ರೆಡ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಟೀ ಹಾಗೂ ಎಕ್ಸ್-ರೇ ಫಿಲಂ ಪೂರೈಕೆಗಾಗಿ ದ್ವಿ-ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಮರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18/12/2024 ರಿಂದ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 26/12/2024 ರ 4.30 ರ ವರೆಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳು www.kppp.karnataka.gov.inನಲ್ಲಿ ಲಭ್ಯವಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

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BANGALORE RURAL ZILLA PANCHAYATH

Office of Executive Engineer, Panchayath Raj Engineering Division, Bangalore Rural, Anand Rao Circle, Bangalore - 560009.

No: EE/PRED/BNG(R)/TND No-25/TS/2024-25 Date: 18-12-2024

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION No.25/2024-25

(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)

Short Term Tender is invited through KPP Portal by the Executive Engineer, P.R.E.D, Bangalore Rural, under 2024-25 Horticulture Department Head of Account. The Work details can be obtained from the KPP Portal **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in).** The Tender Documents can be obtained and submitted on or before **27-12-2024 upto 5.30 PM.** Further details contact this office during office working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Panchayat Raj Engineering Division,
Bangalore Rural Dist. Bangalore

DIPR/CP/3882/SPAN/2024-25

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of LIC Housing Finance Ltd (LIC HFL), under Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had issued Demand Notice to following Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors calling upon them to repay the outstanding due amount mentioned in the said notices. However, The Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors having failed to repay the said due amount, the undersigned has taken SYMBOLIC POSSESSION (S) in exercise of powers conferred U/s 13(4) and U/s 14 of the said Act read with the Rule 8.

This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property have been mortgaged to the LIC HFL, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of LIC HFL will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" & without any recourse basis on Date of auction, as per the brief particulars given here under.

M/s. Regaliaa Buildtech, & Mr. Anup Shyam Karnani, M/s. Regaliaa Buildtech (Regalia) Loan No. 411900012004 & 411900013088

Full Description of property: SCHEDULE PROPERTY-'A' : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted bearing: Survey No.132/1B admeasuring 9.76 guntas, Survey No.132/1A admeasuring 19.99 guntas, Survey No.133/2 admeasuring 28.02 guntas, Survey No.133/1 admeasuring 32.27 guntas, Survey No.134/1 admeasuring 10.91 guntas, i.e. admeasuring in the aggregate 2 acres 21 guntas all of and situated in Nagawara Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District, in the State of Karnataka and bounded as follows;
On or towards the North : by Proposed 100 Ft Approach road / Tanisandra Main Road, On or towards the South : by portion of Sy No.132/2 On or towards the East : by proposed 100' wide Tanisandra main road. On or towards the West : by remaining property of the owner.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY-'B' : 60% of undivided share right, title & interest in the Second Schedule 'A' property, measuring 66.129 sq.ft and the super built-up area to be constructed thereon, (1) Comprising of shopping area, anchor area, food court and stalls, etc. In the basement to the seventh floor (Excluding hotel area fallen to the share of land owner) : 133377.69 sft
(2) Share in multiplex (undivided by metes and bounds) : 50318.64 sft
Total Developers Share/Area : 181472.71 sft
(3) 60% of Car parking spaces in the building.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY-'B1' : Undivided share of 60% in land admeasuring in the aggregate 2 Acres 20.95 Gunthas (the said plots of Land), all of and situated in Nagavara Village, kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District, in the State of Karnataka, Bengaluru 560077, more described as Schedule "A" Property amounting to 66,129 sft and 60% area allotted to the share of developer in the gross super built up area of 50,708.96 sq mtrs as mentioned herein below.

Particulars	Developers share (sq.Mts)
Mall area	20.364.36
Multiplex area	1,894.49
Basement area for car parking	8,127.62
Total	30,386.47

Particulars	Owners share	Developers share	Total (Sq.Mts)
Multiplex area	5,683.49	1894.49	7,577.98

Particulars	Owners share	Developers share	Total (Sq.Mts)
2nd basement floor	4,269.67	1,935.90	6205.57
1st basement floor	1,148.75	6,191.72	7,340.47
Total in sq mtrs	5,418.42	8,127.62	13,546.04

Number of car parking spaces including Mechanical Parking			
Particulars	Owners share	Developers share	Total
2nd basement floor	252	86	338
1st basement floor	-	292	292
Total car park	252	378	630

Super Built up Areas Allotted to the share of the Developer/Land Owner in terms of the Area Sharing Agreement dated 14-11-2014

Particulars	Mall area (Sq. Mts)		
Floors	Owners share	Developers share	Mall area total
Ground floor	-	5,010.37	5,010.37
First floor	-	4,632.64	4,632.64
Second loor	-	3,357.69	33,357.69
Third floor	-	3,681.83	3,681.83
Fourth floor	-	3681,83	3,681.83
Fifth floor	-	-	-
Sixth floor	-	-	-
Seventh floor	-	-	-
Terrace floor	-	-	-
Total in sq mtrs	-	20,346.36	20,346.36

Date of Demand Notice	17 MAY 2022
Amt Demanded	Rs.220,37,02,793.06 with further Interest, Cost and Expenses.
Account Details	Beneficiary Name: LIC Housing Finance Ltd. Bank: Axis Bank, Centralised Collection Hub Account No: HFLESCBABC12004 IFSC Code: UTIB0CCH274
Date of Possession (SYMBOLIC)	29/08/2022
Reserve Price Amount	Rs. 217,00,00,000/- (Rupees Two Hundred And Seventeen Crore)
EMD	Rs.21,70,00,000 /- (Rupees Twenty-one Crore Seventy Lakh)
Total Amount payable as on date	Rs. 318,51,22,882.09/- (Rupees Three Hundred And Eighteen Crore Fifty-one Lakh Twenty-two Thousand Eight Hundred And Eighty-two Rupees And Nine Paisa)
Website of E-Auction	https://online.lichousing.com/eauction/ & https://www.auctionbazaar.com
Date & time of Inspection of Photocopies of property documents	03 JANUARY 2025 & 10:30AM to 2:30PM
Address where property documents can be inspected	Back Office, 1st Floor, LIC Jeevan Mangal, Hayes Road, Residency Rd, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560025
Inspection of the Property Date for inspection and time	02 JANUARY 2025 & 10:30AM to 2:30PM
Contact person	Mr. AJIT NAIR, Associate Chief Manager Mob No. : 9446368696
Contact details of E-Auction from the service provider	Mr. Abdul, M/s. Arca Emart Pvt Ltd, Mob No. : 7799510999 email id:- contact@auctionbazaar.com
Last date of submission of Online Tender / Bid	04 JANUARY 2025 Upto 5:00PM
E Auction Date	06 JANUARY 2025 & 10:30AM to 2:30PM

Further to this PUBLIC NOTICE for E-Auction Sale of the above said Assets / properties (in terms and conditions of the SARFAESI, Act 2002 and rules thereunder) LICHFL invites OFFERS through online mode only to purchase the said property as per the following Terms and Conditions as mentioned below:

1 - E-Auction Sale is being held on 'As is where is Basis is' and 'As is what is Basis', 'whatever there is Basis' And 'Without Any Recourse Basis', and will be conducted "Online". The E-Auction will be conducted through LIC HFL approved E-auction service provider – Name of E-auction service provider (as published in newspaper advertisement)

2 - To the best of the knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer, no other encumbrance exists on the mortgaged property, except as disclosed in the publications. However, the interested Bidders to conduct their own independent due diligence verifications regarding the Location and Identity of the property, Inspection of Public records in the Sub Registrars' Offices/Civil Courts, to find any encumbrances, statutory liabilities, arrears of property tax, Income Tax, Excise Duty, Labor Dues, electricity, and maintenance dues, etc., of the Secured Asset. The Successful bidders shall have to bear all outgoing i.e., municipal taxes, maintenance/society charges, electricity charges, water charges, stamp duty, registration charges, (if applicable), if any and all other incidentals charges, cost including all outgoing relating to the respective properties over and above the Reserve Price. LICHFL will not be held responsible for any charge, lien, liabilities, etc., of whatsoever nature pending upon the properties as mentioned above.

3 - The intending bidders should register their names at portal "website of E-auction service provider" as mentioned in the auction sale notice (as published in newspaper advertisement).

4 - The E-auction Sale is subject to the conditions prescribed in the SARFAESI Act/Rules 2002 and the terms and conditions mentioned hereunder/ website also subject to conditions in the offer/bid documents to be submitted by the intending/participating bidders.

5 - Every bidder is required to have his/her own email address in order to participate in the online E-auction. Once Intending Bidder formally registers as a qualified tenderer before Authorized Officer of LICHFL, will have to express his/her interest to participate through the E-auction bidding platform, by submitting documents. It shall be the tenderer's/online bidder's sole responsibility to procure his/her login ID and password from the E-auction service provider.

6. The aforesaid properties shall not be sold below the Reserve Price mentioned above.

7. If the successful bidder defaults in effecting payments or fails to adhere to the terms and condition of E-Auction in any manner the amount already deposited will be forfeited and he/she shall not have any claim as such for forfeited amount.

8. The offer/s along with the aforesaid Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) can be submitted "online" through the portal eg., "www.auctionbazaar.com" along with the EMD and scanned copy of KYC documents including PAN Card & (Aadhar Card) address proof, to the service provider, mentioned above on or before the Bid Submission due date & time as per Other details of Auction above. Authorised Officer is not bound to accept highest offer made by the bidder if not acceptable to the secured creditor.

9. Every Bidder shall deposit EMD before participating in E—Auction. The said Deposit/s shall be adjusted in the case of successful bidder/s, otherwise refunded. The said earnest money deposit/s will not carry any interest.

10 -Initial Bidding increment is 10 % of Reserve Price. However, Authorised Officer will state bidding increment amount percentage for each property if, decided otherwise.

11. The successful bidder/s shall deposit 25% of the amount of sale price, adjusting the EMD paid already, within 24 hours of bid acceptance by the Authorized officer/next working day before close of cash hours, in respect of the sale, failing which the earnest money deposited shall be forfeited. The balance 75% of the sale price is payable within 15 days from the date of confirmation of the sale unless decided otherwise by Authorised Officer in writing, the maximum period allowed is 90 days, beyond which time-period cannot be extended. In case of failure to deposit the balance amount within the prescribed period, the amount deposited shall be forfeited. The Authorized Officer shall not be required to give any further notice of forfeiture to the successful bidder.

12. The successful bidder should bear the charges/fees payable on sale certificate, such as registration fees, stamp duty, taxes, or any other duties payable for getting the secured asset transferred in his/her name.

13. The Sale Certificate will be issued only in the name of the successful bidder and only after receipt of the entire sale price.

14. The notice is hereby given to the Borrower/s, Mortgagor/s and Guarantor/s that they can bring the intending buyer/purchaser for purchasing the properties mentioned above, as per the terms and Conditions of the E-Auction Sale.

15. Inspection of the photocopies of documents and Property Inspection of the above said properties can be done on the dates stated in the advertisement. Interested bidders shall contact the designated official as per the other details of E-Auction mentioned above. All conveyance and other expenses related to Inspection of the property/document copies shall be borne by the interested bidders.

16. The LIC Housing Finance Limited reserves the right to CANCEL / ACCEPT / REJECT / ALTER / MODIFY / POSTPONE the AUCTION without giving any reason whatsoever or prior Notice.

17. The sale is subject to confirmation by the Secured Creditor, viz., LIC Housing Finance Ltd.

Place: Bangalore
Date : 21.12.2024

Authorized Officer
L.I.C Housing Finance Ltd, Bangalore

Karnataka State Marketing Communication and Advertising Limited

(A Govt. of Karnataka Enterprise)
No. 42, MCA House, Millers Road, Bengaluru - 560 001.

e-Auction No: KSMCA/Admn/LA/e-Auction/2024-25 Dated : 19.12.2024

Short-Term e-Auction Notification

K.S.M.C.A. invites Tender for e-Auction through e-procurement portal in two cover system as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999, Rules 2000 for disposal of Electronic items & Other Unserviceable items (other than Electronic items). Tender can be submitted along with necessary documents after viewing in e-procurement portal **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in).** Details are as below: **(1)** Commencement date for downloading of Tender Documents: **20.12.2024. (2)** Last date for submission of Tender in e-procurement: **27.12.2024 up to 4.00 PM. (3)** Date of opening the Tender: **30.12.2024 at 10.00 AM. (4)** E.M.D. Amount: **Rs. 5,000/-.** If the last date fixed for downloading/uploading the Tender Documents is declared as a Government holiday then the next working day will be considered as the last date.

Sd/- Managing Director

MYSORE PAINTS & VARNISH LTD.,

(A Govt., of Karnataka Undertaking)
New Bannimantap Extension, MYSURU-570 015
Phone: 0821-2493831-2497469/2499340,
website: www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in
email: materials-mpvl@karnataka.gov.in
Ref: MPVL/MAT/2024-25/0011/CALL-3 Date: 20.12.2024

SHORT TERM RE -TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited from reputed manufacturers / authorized dealers for supply of the following materials through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP). The details are as mentioned below:

Short term Re-Tender Notification No.: MPVL/2024-25/IND0011/Call-3 – Short term Re-Tender notification for supply of Machineries & lab Equipements for production of Paints & Allied Products. (06 Item's. Estimated value Rs. 53 Lakhs).

1. HIGH SPEED DISPERSER - 30 HP IN NFLP - 1Nos.
2. JACKETED VESSEL – 750 LITRES (SS) - 1 Nos
3. ATTRITOR 500 LITRES - 1 Nos.
4. LET DOWN TANKS - 1000 LITRES (150 RPM) - 1 Nos.
5. PUMPING SYSTEM - 1 Nos.
6. Color Spectrometer - 1 Nos
7. AMC for Item No. 01 to 05

Interested parties may visit **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for participating in the tender.

Last date for submission of Tender/Bids is 30.12.2024 at 17:00:00 hrs. Technical Bid Opening on 01.01.2025 at 11:00:00 hrs.

For Mysore Paints and Varnish Ltd.,
Sd/-
Materials Manager/ TIA

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture,
East Zone, 17th Floor, Mayohall Building,
M.G. Road, Bengaluru

No:SADH/TENDER/13/2024-25 Dated:20.12.2024

LETTER OF INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

(Two Cover System) (STD KW-1, KW-2, KW-3 & KW-4)

(Through **GOK** KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** only)

The Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture (East) Zone, (Referred to as Employer in these documents) invites Tenders to Implement in accordance with KTPP rules 2000, from eligible and experienced Person/Agencies/ Firms (Referred to as Tenderers in these documents) registered in Labour Department for Maintenance of Parks.

Sl No	Name of the Work
1	Beautification, Horticulture Maintenance works and Other Emergency works at Hebbala Assembly Constituency in East Zone. (SC) **Amount: ₹.8,47,001.25 EMD: ₹.10,587/-**
2	Beautification, Horticulture Maintenance works and Other Emergency works at Pulikeshinagara Assembly Constituency in East Zone. (ST) **Amount: ₹.5,90,925/- EMD: ₹.7,386/-**

Calendar of Events: (1) Date of Notification is **21.12.2024. (2)** Tender can be downloaded from **23.12.2024. (3)** Pre bid meeting on **26.12.2024** at **11:30** am. **(4)** Tender Closing date **03.01.2025** at **4:30** pm **(5)** Technical Bid Opening Date **06.01.2025** at **4:30** pm. **(6)** Financially Bid Opening Date After approval of Technical Bid. **Sd/-**

Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture (East Zone)

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited

(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

NOTIFICATION

No.: EEE/MWD/RCR/24-25/880-82 Date: 20.12.2024

The Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation limited, have formulated a scheme under section 67 of the Electricity Supply Act 2003 and the same is herewith published in pursuance of section 67(ii) of the said Act for information of the general public. Particulars of the scheme are as follows:

1). Name of the Scheme:
Establishing of 2X20MVA, 110/11kV Sub-station at **Amdihal** along with Construction of 110 kV LILO line using Lynx conductor from 110kV Mudagal-Bayyapur line to proposed 110kV sub-station at Amdihal for a distance of 6.64 kms in Lingasugur Taluk, Raichur district.

2). Salient Features:
This line is constructed for Transmitting 110kV power from existing 110kV Mudagal-Bayyapur line to proposed Amdihal 2X20MVA, 110/11kV Sub-station to avoid over loading and providing reliable and quality of power supply to Amdihal and surrounding villages.

3) The proposed 110kV Line passing through these areas and Sy No's:
Lingasugur Taluk & Raichur District:
a. Mudagal village – **84/2, 84/3, 85, 207, 75, 74, 42, 43/1, 43/2, 44, 45/2, 38 & 206**
b. Kannapurhatti village **-12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 32, 35, 36, 43/1, 58/2, 60, 59, 61, 63/2, 63/1, 67/1, 66/1 & 66/2.**
c. Amdihal village – **71/8, 72/1, 72/2, 72/3, 72/4, 72/5 & 73.**

4) Estimate cost of the project: **2492.20 Lakhs.**

The corporation shall have and exercise all powers which the telegraph authorities process under Para (iii) of Indian Telegraph Act 1885 (13 of 1885) for carrying of the above scheme. Objection or discrepancies to the scheme, if any should be sent to the **Executive Engineer (Elec.,), Major Works Division, KPTCL, Raichur** within **02 months** from the date of publication of this notification for consideration by the corporation. Any objection received after this period will not be considered. **Sd/- Executive Engineer (Elec.,),**
Major Works Division, KPTCL, Raichur.

BHAKRA BEAS MANAGEMENT BOARD

(IRRIGATION WING)

NOTICE e-TENDER; CORRIGENDUM; Pre Bid Meeting

NIT No : 03/EWS/BBMB/2024-25
Name Of Concerned Office : Executive Engineer, R.M. Division, BBMB Talwara-Township, Punjab-144216 Email : xenrmtlw@bbmb.nic.in
Name Of Work: Purchasing, Testing, Designing, Erection and commissioning of Emergency Flood Warning System at Beas Dam Site.

Last Date Of Receipt Of Tender	07-01-2025 at 11:00 am
Date Of Opening Of Tender	08-01-2025 at 11:00 am
Date Of Pre Bid Meeting of Tender	23-12-2024 at 03:30 am
Estimate Cost	Rs. 2,73,00,000/-

The detailed of tender may be downloaded from website http://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app

535-PR-BEAS DAM-6 FOR YOUR BETTER TOMORROW SAVE ENERGY TODAY

IN THE HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

(Original Jurisdiction) In the matter of the Companies Act, 1956
and IN THE MATTER OF M/s. RAMANGALM TILE WORKS COMPANY LTD (IN LIQUIDATION)

Co.Pet. No : 13/2002
E-AUCTION NOTICE

In pursuance of the Hon'ble High Court order dated 4.11.2024 passed in Official Liquidator's Report No.78 online competitive bids are hereby invited for sale of below described assets through e-auction scheduled on **28.1.2025 from 14.00 hours to 17.00 hours.** The entire e-auction catalogue ie. "Terms and conditions" of sale containing the schedules for giving full particulars of event of e-auction, guidelines for online registration etc are available on Rail Tel Corporation of India Ltd website: **www.railtelindia.com** and can be viewed by clicking on the following URL of **https://olauction.enivida.com** and Ministry's website at **www.mca.gov.in.** Inspection of the assets can be had at the premises situated at Maneed Village, Muvattupuzha taluk in Ernakulam district on **9.1.2025** between 10 a.m to 4 p.m. The Official Liquidator subject to the orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala reserves the right to accept or reject the highest offer and also put the assets for resale. The EMD as above need to be paid through online mode on or before **23.1.2025.**

Lot	Description of Properties	EMD Rs	Upset Price Rs
1	Landed property to the extent of 1.75 acres s of land lying in Sy.No 463/1 in Maneed village, Muvattupuzha taluk in Ernakulam district	10,00,000	95,00,000

The intending bidders may contact Sri.Gagan T.S., Sr.Manager, M/s.RailTel Corporation of India, Bengaluru on Mobile No: 8448288987/89 & Smt..Sujatha 8448288994/86 for doubts/clarifications, if any, on the e-auction procedure and Smt Gigi Anand, Official of the office of the Official Liquidator during office hours on Mobile No: 9947442731.between 9 a.m.to 5.30 p.m for details about the properties.

Dated this the 19th day of December, 2024.

OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR
HIGH COURT OF KERALA ,CORPORATE BHAVAN
3rd Floor, B.M.C.ROAD, THRIKKAKKARA P.O., KOCHI - 21

Govt.of Karnataka

Office of the Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation, Division Vijayapur

Tel.No:08352-277941, E-mail: eerdwsd.bjp@gmail.com

No:EE/RDWSD/VJP/KPPP/Tender/2024-25/1078 Dated:18.12.2024

KPPP PORTAL TENDER NOTIFICATION SHORT TERM

On behalf of Governor of Govt. of Karnataka Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking water and sanitation division, Vijayapur has invited tender through KPPP Portal for water supply works under MVS O&M & JJM-FHTC head of accounts as follows.

Two Cover : 03 Works

Last date for submission of online tender through KPPP Portal is **27.12.2024 at 5.30 PM.** Date of opening of Technical bid is **28.12.2024 at 5.30 PM.** Date of opening of Finanical bid is **30.12.2024 at 5.30 PM.**

More details can be have from the office of the undersigned and also through www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- (Basavaraj S Kumbar)
Executive Engineer,
RDW & S DivisionVijayapur

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ವಿಜಯಪುರ/540/ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂಎ/2024-25

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike

Office of the Executive Engineer, Sarvagnanagar Division, BBMP, P.U.Building, 7th Floor, M.G. Road, Bengaluru-560 001.

No.EE/SN/TENDER-11/CORRIGENDUM-1/2024-25 Date: 20-12-2024

Corrigendum-01

Sub : Regarding the publication of amendment of dates of the tender works.

Ref : Tender Notification No. EE/SGN/KPPP/TEND/11/2024-25, Dated: 15.11.2024.

With Regard to the above subject and above referred Tender Notice Dated: 15.11.2024, invited for 53 works published by the Sarvagnanagar Division of BBMP, the dates published therein have been amended as follows due to technical reasons.

Sl. No.	Sl. No. as per Tender Notification	Earlier Published Dates		Modified Dates
1.	Sl.No. (1) to (53)	Tender documents may be downloaded from	25.11.2024	21.12.2024 4:00 p.m.
		Last Date for uploading the Filled Tender Document	07.12.2024	30.12.2024 4:00 p.m.
		Date of Opening of Tenders	09.12.2024	31.12.2024 4:30 p.m.
		Pre-Bid Meeting	30.11.2024 4:00 p.m.	24.12.2024 4:00 p.m.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Sarvagnanagar Division, BBMP.

ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪಂಚಾಯತ್, ಚಿಕ್ಕಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ
ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಹಿಂದುಳಿದ ವರ್ಗಗಳ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ.

ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಡಳಿತ ಭವನ, #ಎಸ್.ಬಿ4, 2ನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ಶಿಡ್ಲಘಟ್ಟ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ.
ದೂರವಾಣಿ:08156-277053 Email:dobcmchikkaballapura@gmail.com

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಹಿಂವಕಇ/ಜಿಪುರ/ಹೊಗುಟೆ/ಸಿಆರ್-17/2024-25 ದಿನಾಂಕ:19.12.2024

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

2024-25ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಚಿಕ್ಕಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಹಿಂದುಳಿದ ವರ್ಗಗಳ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಇಲಾಖೆಯ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ, ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಕಚೇರಿ, ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿನಿಲಯಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಮತ್ತು ವಸತಿ ಶಾಲೆ/ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಖಾಲಿ ಇರುವ ಗ್ರೂಪ್ 'ಸಿ' ಮತ್ತು 'ಡಿ' ಹುದ್ದೆಗಳನ್ನು ತಾತ್ಕಾಲಿಕವಾಗಿ ಹೊರಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲದಿಂದ ಪಡೆಯಲು ನೊಂದಾಯಿತ ಅರ್ಹ ಏಜೆನ್ಸಿ /ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ (E-Procurement) ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. **ವಿವರ: (1)** ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18.01.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 05.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ. (2)** ಪೂರ್ವಭಾವಿ ಸಭೆ (Pre Bid) **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 27.12.2024 ಬೆಳಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ.** ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಹಿಂದುಳಿದ ವರ್ಗಗಳ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ. **(3)** ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 20.01.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 05.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ (4)** ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **22.01.2025 ಬೆಳಗ್ಗೆ 10.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ.** ಅರ್ಹ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ದಾರರು ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು kpp Portal ಮೂಲಕ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ವೈಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/** ನಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಡುವುದು **(ದೂ. ಸಂ: +91-8046010000, +91-8068948777)** ಹಾಗೂ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಹಿಂದುಳಿದ ವರ್ಗಗಳ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಡಳಿತ ಭವನ, #ಎಸ್‌ಬಿ-4, 2ನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ಶಿಡ್ಲಘಟ್ಟ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/-
ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು,
ಹಿಂದುಳಿದ ವರ್ಗಗಳ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಇಲಾಖೆ,
ಚಿಕ್ಕಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ಚಿಕ್ಕಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ/ಆರ್.ಪಿ.ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:323/ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂ.ಸಿ.ಎ/2024-25

BEFORE THE HON'BLE X ADDL. DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE, COMMERCIAL COURT, AT BENGALURU RURAL 3rd FLOOR, BSNL BUILDING, RAJ BHAVAN ROAD, BANGALORE-01.
Com.O.S. No. 86/2024

BETWEEN : M/s Air India SATS Airport Services Pvt. Ltd., Plot No. C-05L, Kempegowda International Airport, Devanahalli, Bengaluru-560300, Being Represented by: Mrs. Reena Uthappa, Asst. Vice President Human Resources ...PLAINTIFF

AND: M/s Exide Battery Care Centre & Anr. ...DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT NO. 1 THROUGH PAPER PUBLICATION

To: M/s Exide Battery Care Centre,
No. 14, Nasser Complex, Bagalur Cross, NH 7, New International Airport Road, IAF Post, Bangalore-560062
Represented by its Manager.

WHEREAS, M/s Air India SATS Airport Services Pvt. Ltd. has instituted a suit against you for inter alia a direction from this Hon'ble Court to the Defendants to pay the amount of **Rs. 7,28,000/-**, along with interest @ 15% p.a. from the date of the suit till the date of realization of amount, with costs and other reliefs.

You are hereby summoned to appear in this Court in person, or by a pleader duly instructed (and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit, or who shall be accompanied by some person able to answer all such questions) **on the 21st day of January, 2025 at 11.00 O'clock** in the forenoon, to answer the claim; and you are directed to produce on that day all the documents upon which you intend to rely in support of your defence.

Take notice that, in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the Court, this **12th day of December, 2024.**

BY ORDER OF THE COURT, Sheristedar
X Addl. District & Sessions Court
Bengaluru Rural District, Bengaluru

Advocate for Plaintiff
Poornachandra B. Pattar,
Spectrum Legal, Promenade Road Sindhi Colony, Pulkeshi Nagar 101, 30/A, First Floor, Bengaluru 560005, Ph. No.: 9880035795
Email ID: poornachandra@spectrumlegal.in

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II AT BENGALURU
B.S.N.L. Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajabhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001
O.A. No. 1150/2019

BETWEEN:
Union Bank of India
And ... Applicant
Mr. Sidda @ Kuntaiah @ Siddaiah And Others
...Defendants

SUMMONS/NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23 (viii) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993, BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To,
2. Mr. Shivappa S S/o Siddaiah Aged about 40 years, R/at Agrahara, Varagerehalli Village, Virupakshipura Hobli, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara, District-562160.
3. Mr. Andani S S/o Siddaiah Aged about 35 years, R/at Agrahara, Varagerehalli Village, Virupakshipura Hobli, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara, District-562160.
...Defendants

Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application/interlocutory application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institution Act, 1993 against the defendants for recovery of a sum of **Total for sum of Rs.45,89,075.80** (Rupees Forty Five Lakhs Eighty Nine Thousand Seventy Five and Eighty Paisa Only) together with current and future interest and for other relief.

The above mentioned Defendant (s) is/are therefore hereby directed to appear before this Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly authorized agent, in support of his/their defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **22.04.2025 at 10.30 A.M.** (forenoon) as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this **11.12.2024.**

By order of the Tribunal
Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II
At Bengaluru

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ZILLA PANCHAYATH, BELLARY
Office of the Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Division, Bellary,
No. EE/PRED/BLY/AE-1/KPS Schools/TDR/2024-25/1425 **Dt. 18-12-2024.**

Short Term Tender Notification
(Through KPPP Portal only)

On behalf of Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka tenders are invited from the eligible contractors who have enrolled in Panchayath Raj Engineering Department for 01 work comprising of approved building works under 2022-23 KPS Scholls Special Grants through KPPP portal. Contractors are required to submit the tender before 26-12-2024 at 4.30 PM by uploading the relevant documents through KPPP portal website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in by downloading the formats for submission of tenders from 18-12-2024 to 26-12-2024 at 4.30 PM. Tenders will be opened through KPPP portal on 27-12-2024 at 5.30 PM. Any changes in the notification will be published KPPP website only. Accepting/rejection of tenders without assigning reason is reserved. Any details can be obtained in person at the office or through telephone No. 08392-266173.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Panchayath Raj Engineering Division Ballari
DIPR/Ballari/702/KSMCA/2024-25

Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-op Bank Ltd.,
Head Office : B.H. Road, Tumkur-572103, Karnataka,
Phone : 0816-2257636 / 4021102-103, Fax : 0816-2255905,
Email : tgmcb_ho@hotmail.com, tgmc.ho@gmail.com, Website : tgmcbank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8 (1)] (For Immovable property)

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued a demand notice dated **05-10-2019** calling upon the borrowers **M/s. Vinayaka Enterprises** Rep by its partners **1) Sri. Dasappa D** S/o Late H Dasappa, Residing at No 421, 3rd Cross, Wilson Garden- Bangalore - 560027, **2) Sri. Ramachandrappa. D** S/o Late H Dasappa, Residing at No 421, 3rd cross, Wilson Garden, Bangalore -560027, **3) Sri. D. Jairaj** S/o Late H. Dasappa, Residing at No 421, 3rd Cross, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-560027. **4) Smt. D Meenakshi** D/o Late D Dasappa, Residing at No 421, 3rd Cross, Wilson Garden – Bangalore-560027, **5) Sri D Ravindranatha** S/o Late D Dasappa, Residing at No.421, 3rd Cross, Wilson Garden – Bangalore-560027,**6) Sri. D. Vijaya Kumar,** S/o Late D Dasappa, Residing at No 421, 3rd Cross, Wilsion Garden – Bangalore-560027. **7) Smt. Sarojamma** W/o Late D Dasappa, Residing at No.421, 3rd Cross, Wilson Garden – Bangalore-560027, **8) Sri R Harish Chandra** S/o Late D Ramachandrappa, Residing at No 421, 3rd Cross, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-560027. **SURETIES: LATE SRI. DASAPPA D S/O H DASAPPA (HEREIN AFTER CALLED AS GUARANTOR – NOW DECEASED) REPRESENTED BY ITS LEGAL HEIRS 1) Smt. Sarojamma** W/o Late D Dasappa, Residing at No 421, 3rd Cross, Wilson Garden – Bangalore-560027, **2) Smt. D Meenakshi** D/o Late D Dasappa, Residing at No 421, 3rd Cross, Wilson Garden – Bangalore-560027 **3) Sri. D Ravindranatha** S/o Late D Dasappa, Residing at No 421, 3rd Cross, Wilson Garden – Bangalore-560027, **4) Smt. D. Indrani** D/o Late D Dasappa, Residing at No 421, 3rd Cross, Wilson Garden – Bangalore-560027, **5) Sri. D. Vijaya Kumar** S/o Late D Dasappa, Residing at No 421, 3rd Cross, Wilson Garden – Bangalore-560027. To Repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 26,77,82,679/-** (Rupees Twenty Six Crore Seventy Seven Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Six Hundred And Seventy Nine Only) as on **Dt.11-08-2024** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **19th day of December of the year 2024.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-Op Bank Ltd, Jayanagar Branch, Bangalore** for an amount **Rs. 26,77,82,679/-** (Rupees Twenty Six Crore Seventy Seven Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Nine Only) as on **Dt.11-08-2024** plus interest from **12-08-2024** together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc., till the date of realization.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

(Details of Hypothecated assets and details of mortgaged properties of the Borrower): All that piece and parcel of the property situated at Bangalore City, Mysore Road, Corporation Khatha No 125/98, old No 120,131/1 and 125/98 and 98/4 and 98/5, Ward No 30, measuring 36207.71 sq feet in which including the building and Bounded by East by : Remaining portion of same number, West by : Road, North by : Remaining property, South by : Mysore Road .

Date : 19.12.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-Op Bank Ltd.,**

Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited
(A Joint Venture of GoI & GoK)
Metro Rail Depot, Old Madras Road, Near NGEF Bus Stop, Baiyappanahalli , Bengaluru - 560 038. Ph: 080-25191039
e-mail: contactus@bmrc.co.in Website: www.bmrc.co.in

Bid No.: BMRCL/2024-25/BG/WORK_INDENT58 Date: 24.12.2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION

BMRCL invites tenders from eligible Tenderers for **"Petty Repair works in Reach-1 Section of Line-1 Viaduct (Halasuru to Cubbon Park ramp)".** Estimated Cost: **INR 66.26 Lakhs.** Tender Security Amount: **Rs. 1,32,540/-.** The works details can be obtained from the procurement website. The Tender documents can be obtained and submitted **on or before 17.02.2025 up to 15:30 hrs.** Further details can be obtained from website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or contact this office during office working Hours.

Sd/- Executive Director (O & M)

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank **ULSOOR BRANCH**
(A Government Of India Undertaking)
P B No 883, 18/10, Cambridge Road, Ulsoor, Bangalore-560008
E-mail id: cb0791@canarabank.com.

DEMAND NOTICE [SECTION 13(2)] TO BORROWER/GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

'We, **Canara Bank, ULSOOR Branch,** had issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledged and returned due to non-availability of addressees at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. Further, Bank had served the said demand notices by affixture at the addresses given. The contents of the said notices are mentioned herein below.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : 1) Mrs. R Rukmani Devi W/o Sampath Kumar R, No 12/1 Yellamma Kovil Street, 2nd Cross Near Ulsoor BSNL, Halasuru, Bengaluru - 560008. **2) Mr.S Naresh Kumar** S/o Sampath Kumar R, No 6/12, 2nd Cross, LMN Kovil Street, HAL II Stage, Ulsoor, Bengaluru - 560008.

Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the borrower:

Sl. No	Loan Number Nature of loan limit	Date of Sanction	Amount In Rs	Liability as on date 16.12.2024	Rate of Interest
1	0791619000272 Housing Loan	12.04.2019	Rs. 51,50,000.00	Rs. 51,51,768/-	8.80%+Penal Interest 2%
2	0791619000293 Housing Loan	14.12.2020	Rs. 10,90,000.00	Rs. 8,31,658.33	11.20%+Penal Interest 2%
3	0791631000013 Canara Home Loan Secure	23.12.2020	Rs. 90,975.00	Rs. 66,800.36	9.35%+Penal Interest 2%

Total Liability Amount: Rs.60,53,686.29 (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Fifty Three Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Six and Paisa Twenty Nine only) as on **Date 16.12.2024** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

NPA Date : 15.12.2024 **Demand Notice Dated : 16.12.2024**

Name of the title holder : Mrs. R Rukmani Devi.

Details of Immovable Security Assets : SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Municipal Corporation No.12 (Old No.6) PID No.81-70-12, situated at Yellamma Koil F.No.2nd street, Ulsoor, Bangalore presently coming under administrative jurisdiction of BBMP W.No.81, Ulsoor range measuring East To West 34 feet and North to South 47 feet admeasuring 1598 sq.ft and boundry as follows: East By: Private Property, West By: Yellamma Koil F.No.2nd street, North By: Private Property, South By: Private Property.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the northern portion of immovable property bearing Municipal Corporation No.12/1 PID No.81-70-12/1, situated at Yellamma Koil F.No.2nd street, Ulsoor, Bangalore presently coming under administrative jurisdiction of BBMP W.No.81, Ulsoor range measuring East To West 34 feet and North to South 23½ feet admeasuring 799 sq.ft and boundry as follows: East By: Private Property, West By: Yellamma Koil F.No.2nd street, NorthBy: Private Property, South By: Remaining portion of the 'A' schedule property.

You are here by called upon to pay **Canara Bank,** within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the amount mentioned here above, failing which **Canara Bank** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers and the Guarantors. The powers available to **Canara Bank** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrower / Guarantors / Mortgager including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **Canara Bank** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice affixed and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section (13)2 of the said Act.

Date : 20.12.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Canara Bank**

Government of Karnataka
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PANCHAYAT RAJ ENGINEERING DIVISION KALABURAGI

No : EE/PRED/KLB/KKRDB /TS-7/TND/2024-25/3226 Date : 19/12/2024

:: SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION ::

(Through E-procurement Two Cover System)

1) Name of work: 1. Construction of CC Road and Drain and Construction of Roads at Various Villages in Sedam Taluka Indent No.11317, 2. Construction of CC Road and Drain and Construction of Roads at Various Villages in Sedam Taluka Indent No.11316, 3. Construction of CC Road and Drain and Construction of Roads at Various Villages in Sedam Taluka Indent No.11318, 4. Construction of CC Road and Drain and Construction of Roads at Various Villages in Sedam Taluka Indent No.11320, 5. Construction of CC Road and Drain and Construction of Roads at Various Villages in Sedam Taluka Indent No.11315, 2) Head of account: **KKRDB for the year 2024-25**, 3) Amount put to tender: 11317 **Rs. 6271012.55,** 11316 **Rs. 6694311.27,** 11318 **Rs. 7548978.63,** 11320 **Rs. 7967381.51,** 11315, **Rs. 8389892.23,** 4) Class of Contractor: Class- III and Above, 5) Issue of Blank Tender Documents: **20-12-2024 to 06-01-2025 upto 4.00 pm**, 6) Tender Form Fee: As per KPPP Norms, 7) E.M.D. Fee: 11317 Rs. 125500, 11316 Rs. 134000, 11318 Rs. 151000, 11320 Rs. 80000, 11315 Rs. 168000, 8) Receipt of completed tender documents: **20-12-2024 to 06-01-2025 upto 4.00 pm,** 9) Technical Bid Opening Date: **07-01-2025 After 4.00 pm**, 10) Financial Bid opening Date: **08-01-2025 After 4.00 pm**, 11) For more details contact: Office of the Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Division Opp: Karnataka Grameen Bank (PKGB) Head office, Kusnoor Road, Rajapur Kalaburagi, 12) Website Address: **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer
DIPR/Kalaburagi/743/KSMC&A/2024-25 **Panchayat Raj Engineering Division Kalaburagi**

KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION
Established under the State Financial Corporations Act 1951,
Branch Office, 9/1, 2nd Floor Sahukar Channaiah Road, Opp.SriKrishnadhama, Saraswathipuram, MYSORE - 570 009
Tele. No.2344930/2344524

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಹಣಕಾಸು ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ
1951ರ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಹಣಕಾಸು ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳ ಕಾಯಿದೆ ಅನ್ವಯ ಸ್ಥಾಪಿತ
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ದೂರವಾಣಿ : 2344930/2344524
email: mys.ksfc@karnataka.gov.in

SALE OF ASSETS THROUGH e-auction

The asset of the following unit taken over u/s 29 of SFC's Act. 1951 are available for sale on **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION BASIS "** through e-auction procurement portal of Govt. of Karnataka.

1. **M/s Nisarga Timber Traders :** Property No.413/3588/5, Ward No.8, Division No.5, Old K R Nagara Road, Hunsur Town, Mysore Dist. (**KSFC/2024-25 AUCTION-87)**

(a) Land and Building: 1878 sqmtrs or 18.56 guntas of industrial land and building thereon :1) 311.34 sqmtrs of MT roof shed, 2) 130.11 sqmtrs of GI sheet lean to type roofed industrial building and 3)27.88 sqmtrs of fibre sheet and GI sheet roof building.
Reserve Price Rs.86,00,000/- E M D amount: Rs.8,60,000/-

(b) Plant and Machinery:
Plant and Machineries suitable for saw mill consists of Hydralulic peeling lathe machine, automatic knife chopper machine, chain pulley, Anest Mata air compressor, 65 KVA Electric transformer, control panel, etc., (break up details of the Plant and Machineries can be viewed in the e-portal)
Reserve Price Rs.1,50,000/- E M D amount: Rs.15,000/-

Date of Inspection of unit on 04.01.2025 between 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM
The e-auction is published on 19.12.2024 can be viewed in website kppp.karnataka.gov.in. The live bid commence from 13.01.2025 at 11.00 a.m. and closes on 18.01.2025 at 11.00 a.m. Last date for depositing EMD & e auction processing fee is on or before 10.01.2025 within 4:00 pm

Detailed **terms and conditions** of sale through e-auction are available in website **kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** The interested persons are advised to visit the said website and follow the procedure framed in simplified e-auction for participation and for payment. For more details to participate in e-auction may also contact e-procurement help desk of Govt. of Karnataka Phone No.080-68948777 & 22631200 or take help of e-procurement cell, at Sri Aravinda Bhavana, 4th Floor, Mythik Society Compound, Nrupathunga Road, Bengaluru-560001 or Contact the Authorized Officer & Assistant Gen. Manager, KSFC, BO, Mysore on Mobile No.**8618291955/9448160431.** The borrower/legal heirs of this unit may use this opportunity to bring buyers to purchase the assets through e-auction.

Date: 19.12.2024 **Sd/-**
Place: Mysore. **ASSISTANT GEN. MANAGER.**

भारत सरकार
अंतरिक्ष विभाग
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ई-निविदा सूचना / E-TENDER NOTICE दिनांक/Dated : 18-12-2024

भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, निम्नलिखित कार्यों हेतु **ई-निविदा** द्वारा मद-दर निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं।
On Behalf of the President of India, item-rate tenders are invited through **e-tendering** for the following works:

क्र. सं. / Sl. No.	सिविल कार्यों के नाम / Name of Civil Works	प्राक्कलित लागत / Estimated Cost ₹(लाखों में) (in Lakhs)	कार्य पूरा होने की अवधि / Period of completion	ईएमडी / EMD(₹)
1	एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी/ सीएमजी/ टीडी/ ई-137/ एमआई/ सीपीएच-74/2024-25	NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TD/e-137/MI/CPH-74/2024-25		
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के आईपीएच-3 में रोधन प्रक्रमण मशीन तथा धूल व धूम निष्कासक प्रणाली हेतु नींव व पेडेस्टल प्रदान करना। Providing Foundation & Pedestals for Insulation Processing Machine and Dust & Fume extraction system in IPF-3 at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	16.28	03 (तीन महीने / Three months)	32,600
2	एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी/ सीएमजी/ टीडी/ ई-138/ एमए/ सीपीएच-75/2024-25	NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TD/e-138/MA/CPH-75/2024-25		
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के विविध सुविधाओं हेतु मृदा अन्वेषण के लिए दर संविदा। Rate contract for soil exploration for various facilities at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	24.22	12 (बारह महीने / Twelve months)	48,500

ऑनलाइन निवेदन करने की तिथि: **Dates for Online Request : From 21-12-2024[11:00 hours/ बजे] से To: 27-12-2024[23:30 hours/ बजे] तक।**
नियत समय व प्रस्तुतीकरण की तिथि: Due Date & Time of Submission : **30-12-2024 [23:59 hours/बजे] तक।**
अधिक जानकारी के लिए देखें : For further details visit: **www.isro.gov.in/tenders (या/or) www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO.**
नोट : उपर्युक्त कार्य (कार्यों) के लिए भविष्य में सभी पत्राचार (शुद्धिपत्र) केवल उपर्युक्त वेबसाइट पर ही प्रकाशित किए जाएंगे।
Note : All future correspondence (Corrigenda) for the above work(s) shall be published only on the websites mentioned above.

समूह निदेशक, सीएमजी, आईपीआरसी / GROUP DIRECTOR, CMG, IPRC

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client, Sri. Venugopal.V, S/o Late Venkataramaiah, aged about 36 years, R/at 208, near Dani Maramma Temple, Bangalore North, Bangalore, - 560091, has lost the Original Gift Deed, dated 11.03.2016, registered Book No.1, as Document No.SRI-1-05834-2015-16, stored in CD No.SRID190, registered in the office of Srirampura Subregistrar office, Bangalore North Taluk, Original Panchayath Parikath dated 09.05.1991. Original Panchayath Khata and Tax paid receipts, near Sunkadakatte Bus stop, Bangalore City-560091, on 08.12.2024.

Notice is hereby given to all the general public that, whoever finds the above mentioned original Documents may kindly inform/Contact the undersigned within 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice. After the said period, my client will treat the above said Original Documents as lost permanently and will take further steps in accordance with law as he deems fit.

This publication is made based on the Complaint/ Lost report vide Ref No. 372992/2024, dated 08.12.2024, filed before Bangalore City Police.

Lohith Kumar G.C B.Sc., LL.B., Advocate
LOHITH LAW ASSOCIATE'S
Advocate's & Legal Consultant's Office: # 196, 2nd Floor, 6th Main Road, Pipe Line road, Srinivasanagara, Sunkadakatte, Bangalore-560091.
Mob: 94480 23171, 86600 69606.
E-mail: lohithlawassociates@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients intend to PURCHASE the below-mentioned properties of Residential Sites from its present owners situated at 'Home Sites' Layout. This present owner disclosing the unavailability of Mother Deeds & Family Tree; Partitioned Deed/ Release Deed/ Sale Deed of Original owners of Mr. Venkataramana, Mr. Linganna, Mr. Veerappa, Mrs. Kalamma, Mrs. Gowramma & Mr. P. Revanna. As the legal heirs' details and these documents are unavailable, if any person has a legal claim, objection, or concern regarding these properties, they are hereby requested to submit their objections, along with necessary supporting documents, within 15 Days from the date of this notice.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Site No. 196, Present Owner:
Ms. Sonam Diekey, E-Khata No: 152900402003101316
[East by: Site No. 195, West By: Site No. 197, North By: 30 ft Road, South By: Site No. 185] & Site No. 197, Present Owner: Ms. Yangdon, E-Khata No: 152900402003101317
[East by: Site No. 196, West By: Site No. 198, North By: 30 ft Road, South By: Site No. 184]
Both persist Khaneshumari No. 106, in the layout known as 'HOME SITES' situated at Sheshagirihalli Village, Manchanayakanahalli Panchayat, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagaram Taluk, Measuring East to West 30 feet & North to South 40 feet in all measuring 1200 sqft

If no objections are received within the stipulated period, the purchase process will proceed without further notice.

SLS LAW ASSOCIATES, Advocate
Mr. Shekhar. H. V. , #Venkatappa Building, Near Bidadi Police Station, B.M. Road, Bidadi, Ramanagara-562109
Email-estampcenter108@gmail.com
[Mob: 9964185252]

Dated: 21/12/2024

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED
1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower in particular and the public in general are here by \cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
Ms. Sumathi B & Mr. Mahesh B N Loan A/c No. 410400007842 &411900015798 Symbolic taken on 16/12/2024	22/09/2023	Rs. 8723113.00	Schedule Property : All that piece and parcel of the immovable residential Property bearing Northern Portion of new Site No. 844/A, old Site No. 844, formed in Sy No. 10-1A, Site No. 23, Situated at Gerahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, now under the limits of BBMP, Ward No. 54, 13th Main Road, Srinivas Nagar, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 21 feet, total 630 sq.ft., and bounded on: East by : Property No. 846 of Sri Hanumantha Rao West by : Property No. 780 of Sri Sri Gopinath North by : Property No. 843 of Sri B S Siddappa South by : Road & Southern Portion of Site No. 844 belongs to Smt.K Hemavathi.
Mr.Jintesh M J Loan A/c No. 411900015890 Symbolic Taken 16/12/2024	21/11/2022	Rs. 41,55,097.00	Schedule Property : Schedule "A" Property ; Item No.1 : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring as extent of 31 (THIRTY ONE) GUNTAS comprised in Sy.No.164/3 of S.Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, (duly converted vide Official memorandum dated: 16.12.2008 bearing No.ALN(AS)SR/54/2008-09, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District) and bounded on the:East by : Land bearing Sy. No. 164/2 West by : Land bearing Sy. No. 72 North by : Land bearing Sy. No. 164/1 South by : Land bearing Sy. No. 165 Item No. 2 All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring as extent of 25 (TWENTY FIVE) GUNTAS comprised in Sy.No.165/1 of S. Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, (duly converted vide Official memorandum dated: 22.07.2010 nearing No.ALN(ASH)SR/22/2010-11, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District) and bounded on the: East by : Land bearing Sy. No. 172 West by : Land bearing Sy. No. 72North by : Land bearing Sy. No. 164 South by : Land bearing Sy. No. 165/2 Schedule "B" Property : 0.50% undivided share, right, title and interest in Schedule "A" Property, measuring about 307.00 sq.ft in as undivided state has been sold to the PURCHSER by the Owners/Developer under this deed. Schedule"C" Residential Apartment : Residential Apartment having E-Katha No.152020102701021063, bearing No.413 situated in Third Floor of the building, measuring about 942 sq.ft of super built up area consisting of One Bed Room with RCC roofing, tiled flooring, moulded doors and aluminium windows including proportionate share in common area such as passages, lobbies, staircase, lifts and other areas of Common use contained in the residential apartment complex knows as "PUSHPAM E TOWN" constructed on the Schedule A Property with one covered car parking space exclusively earmarked for the sole use and enjoyment of the PURCHASER, built according the plan approved by Anekal Planning Authority vide its Order No. CC/526/2013-14, dated.30.10.2013 on single site plan approved by Anekal Planning Authority vide its order No.LAO/34/2013-13, bounded on, East by: Common Corridor, West by: OTS, North by: Apartment No.409, South by: Common Corridor.

Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer**
Date : 21.12.2024 **LIC Housing Finance Limited**

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Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Physical Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	Krishne Gowda Shashikumar/ Ashwini K/ LBMYS00004911631 LBMYS00004915256	(As described in the Loan document/property document covering All that piece and Parcel of the property bearing No.02, situated at an alienated land bearing Sy No.12/11, measuring 0-20 Guntas of Nadanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Mysore Taluk, alienation order issued by the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, Mysore, vide order No. ALN (1) CR 175/2011-12 dated: 13-03-2012 and Layout Plan duly approved by the office of the Town Planning Member, Mysore Urban Development Authority (MUDA), Mysore, vide No. My.NA. Pra/Na. Yo/Va VLA/78/2013-14 dated:29-07-2012, site measuring East to West 15.00 Meters and North to South:09.00 Meters, in total measuring 135 Sq. Meters and thereon building measuring 40.00 Squares of R.C.C. Roofing and Marble Vitrified tiled flooring and the property is bounded on the Admeasuring an area of)Bounded: on the North by: Property bearing Site No. 01, On the South by: Property bearing No.03. on the East by: Property bearing Site No.05; On the West by: 12.00 Meters Road;/ Date of Physical Possession On 18/12/2024.	31.05.2021/ Rs. 78,69,468.00/-	Mysore
2.	Syed Imran Pasha/ Anis Sulthana Banu/ LBMYS00005535362	(As described in the Loan document / property document covering The property bearing No.182/1, New No.12, SY No-182/1 situated at Belavatha Village, Kasaba Hobli, Mysore Taluk Measuring East- West: 30.00 Feet and North-South: 20.00 Feet, Total Measurment 600 Square Feet of site and in this 600 Square Feet of RCC mosaic flooring house North: House No. 11 South: House No.13 East: House No. 3 West: Road/ Date of Physical Possession on 18/12/2024.	30.05.2023/ Rs. 30,85,463.00/-	Mysore
3.	Swetha Jayaprakash/ Sheela B/ LBBNG00004920945	Schedule 'A' Property All the piece and parcel of the Property bearing Sy Nos. 30, 31 & 32, measuring 13 Acre 01 Guntas, situated at Adigarakallaballi, Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban, within the revenue jurisdiction of BMRDA, Bangalore, in the Project called as 'La-Ville Township', and bounded on, : North By: Survey No 28 and 29, South By: Survey No 47 East By: Survey No 142 and 145 West By: Survey No 177. Schedule 'B' Property all the piece and parcel of Residential Plot bearing No.51, having E Khatha No. 150200102700422474 No. 248/51 being residential lands measuring East to West 21.330 mts North to South 9.140 mts, in all measuring 194.96 Sq. Mtrs in the Schedule 'A' Property situated at Adigarakallahalli, Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban and bounded on East By: Park West By: Road North By: Site No.52 South By: Site No. 50/ Date Of Physical Possession on 18/12/2024.	23.02.2024/ Rs. 94,86,709.00/-	Bangalore

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Date: December 21, 2024 Sincerely Authorised Signatory
Place: Bangalore & Mysore For ICICI Bank Ltd.

EDITORIAL

This is the reality of intensive care: at any point, we are as apt to harm as we are to heal

Atul Gawande

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— Ramnath Goenka

U.S. FED'S OUTLOOK UNDERLINES GROWING UNCERTAINTY ON RATES

THE US Federal Reserve rolled out its third and final rate cut of 2024 on Wednesday, marking a full percentage point of easing since September. This was widely expected; but what was not expected was the Fed's forward guidance. Citing inflation concerns and economic prospects, it pared back its previous forecast of four rate cuts in 2025 to just two, sending shockwaves across global financial markets, including India. The S&P 500 index fell nearly 3 percent on Wednesday, its worst tumble since August, while the Dow Jones Industrial Average plunged over 2.5 percent, falling for a 10th straight day—its longest losing streak since October 1974. Japan's Nikkei, too, crashed along with major Asian indices in China, Indonesia and South Korea. Back home, the Sensex and Nifty dived about 1 percent, while the rupee hit a historic low of 85.3 against the dollar as foreign investors pulled out of domestic equities.

This was not supposed to happen, as global central banks were about to declare victory over the price-rise monster. If 2023 was the year of the inflation, 2024 was all about interest rate cuts. While many of the monetary policymakers have made a pivot, the question now is whether the pace of rate cuts will be as aggressive as projected until recently. As it is, some argue that the prevailing monetary tightness is restrictive and is slowing down economies; so, the rates need to come down. Not even half-way through their projected cuts, central banks have now arrived at a point where it's uncertain how much farther the rates should fall. Just as Fed chair Jerome Powell noted, policymakers are in a new phase of the monetary policy process and the path remains uncertain—especially on whether the global economy, particularly the US, will make a soft or a hard landing.

The US's interest rate trajectory and its growth will have a significant bearing on all emerging economies including India. Above all, there are fears about president-elect Donald Trump's threatened trade tariffs, which will weigh heavily on India's growth aspirations, and its struggle to create jobs and increase wages. The RBI's forthcoming policy meeting in February will be crucial and is being closely watched for signals on inflation, growth and interest rate cuts.

KERALA MUST DO MORE TO MANAGE TOXIC WASTE

KERALA is rightly being singled out for its practices in handling waste. The state has been pulled up by the National Green Tribunal for regularly dumping waste in Tamil Nadu. On Thursday, the southern bench of the tribunal asked Kerala to remove within three days the biomedical and mixed solid waste dumped at various places in Tirunelveli district. Establishments in Kerala, including hotels, hospitals and waste handling agencies, have been surreptitiously transporting waste across the border to dispose it in villages and forests of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka—a practice that exposes both the state's gross inefficiency in handling waste and its disturbing unneighbourly behaviour. The tribunal said Kerala should either take back the waste or make a deal with waste treatment facilities in TN for safe disposal.

Inspections conducted by the Central Pollution Control Board had found significant shortcomings in Kerala's solid waste management system. They revealed an insufficient number of management facilities, the absence of a system to monitor waste movement across state borders, and lapses in the collection and handling of biomedical waste. It was found that Kerala is equipped to handle only 30 percent of the waste it generates. The state currently has two centralised biomedical waste treatment facilities. Either they are inadequate or establishments find dumping in bordering villages more convenient than transporting to these facilities. In either case, the negligence and ineptitude of state authorities are apparent.

On its part, the Kerala government has agreed to remove the waste and has formed a team to investigate the illegal dumping. The State Pollution Control Board has promised action against the culprits and is preparing to introduce a system to track interstate waste movement. But that's not enough. The state must quickly put an end to the practice. Biomedical waste, if not treated correctly, can cause serious health issues and lasting environmental damage. Apart from setting up more solid waste management facilities and introducing a tracking mechanism, it must also create a waste inventory in each local body and an online system to monitor handling. Kerala must understand that endangering lives through unsafe disposal of toxic waste is a criminal act and treating neighbouring states as dumping grounds is not a responsible behaviour.

QUICK TAKE

REVERSING THE GAZE

SOMETIMES, one horrific crime can shake society out of stupor about a not-so-new evil. If it was the Nirbhaya case that shook India's conscience in 2012, this year it's the trial of Gisele Pelicot's ex-husband and his accomplices for mass rape that transformed European conversations around sexual violence. On Thursday, a French court declared the ex-husband and 50 other co-defendants guilty. The 72-year-old victim's extraordinary courage in waiving her anonymity and pushing for the details to be made public has made her a feminist icon. The world should heed her defiant line—"It's not for us to have shame, it's for them"—and reverse the stigma associated with sexual transgression.

Even a 'cured' disease often leaves behind disabilities impairing the quality of life. If we can't ensure wholesome health, the expected demographic dividend will continue to elude us

WE MUST EXTEND HEALTH SPAN, NOT JUST LIFE SPAN

K SRINATH REDDY

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SOURAV ROY

ALL parents fondly wish that their children grow to enjoy a full and fulfilling life. Those children too desire to age well so that their lives are not marred by disease and disability. They hope to remain fit and functioning rather than frail and feeble till the end of their life. It will be a poor trade off if their life expectancy increases but those added years are full of suffering due to poor health.

The 20th century saw a marked rise in human life expectancy globally, despite world wars and a host of infectious diseases. This resulted from a combination of improved living conditions and advances in preventive, diagnostic and curative medical services. Improvements in water, sanitation, nutrition, education, income, occupational safety and women's status in society accompanied economic development and education.

These also stimulated a surge of science and technology. Simultaneously, large populations in Asia, Africa and the Americas wrested freedom from colonial rule and charted their developmental journeys. More diseases were prevented and more lives were saved than ever before, to yield a bounty of long life expectancy. However, even a 'cured' disease often left behind disabilities that detracted from fulsome functionality and impaired the quality of life, increased dependency on others and carried high financial costs of chronic healthcare.

In the second half of the 20th century, maladies of maladapted modernity overtook infectious diseases, nutritional disorders and imperilled maternal and child health as the principal contributors to disease, disability and death. These 'non-communicable' diseases included cardiovascular diseases like heart attacks and brain strokes, diabetes, chronic respiratory diseases, cancers and disorders of kidneys, liver, joints, ears and eyes. Towards the end of the 20th century, overweight and obesity started rising alarmingly in many parts of the world.

While many of these disorders were called 'lifestyle diseases', they were propelled by commercial drivers. A wide variety of tobacco products, ultra-processed foods, sugar sweetened beverages, alcoholic intoxicants and narcotic drugs assaulted the body. These advertised addictions resulted in marketed maladies on a global scale, as production and sales became transnational activities.

The advent of automobiles, television, and later the internet saw a sharp rise in sedentariness and a decline in physical activity. As people became digitally hyper-connected, they became emotionally disconnected. This has been manifest especially among young people. Road traffic accidents are rising in most countries, as are deaths from suicidal and homicidal violence. Air pollution is injuring human bodies everywhere, while climate change is bringing a host of new health challenges.

Skewed civilisational progress in the 21st century has seen a rise in life expectancy or 'lifespan', with a lag in healthy life expectancy or 'health span'. A recent study of these global trends was published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* (2024). Armin Garmany and Andre Terzic accessed data on 195 countries from the World Health Organization's Global Health Observatory. They reported on changes in life expectancy and healthy life expectancy between 2000 and 2019, in different countries and in both sexes.

Globally, the mean gap between life expectancy and healthy life expectancy, during this period, was 9.6 years. The gap was wider by 2.4 years in women than in men. The largest gaps between life expectancy and healthy life expectancy were seen in the United States (12.4 years) and the United Kingdom (11.3 years). While accelerated economic development gave these countries a high life expectancy, they failed to ensure good health of their populations during those added years. Countries with low life expectancy (like Lesotho) showed a lower gap between it and healthy life expectancy, indicating that large gains need to be made in both metrics as low income countries ascend the development ladder.

During 2000-2019, India's life expectancy grew at the rate of 0.43 per year. Healthy life expectancy grew at the rate of 0.37 per year. This widened the gap between life expectancy and healthy life expectancy. Healthy life expectancy in India was a decade behind overall life expectancy in 2022. The gap was 10.49 years in both sexes combined, while it was 9.22 years in men and 11.77 years in women.

As India aims to achieve a high level of development by 2027, we need to prioritise promotion and protection of health across the life course for all our citizens. Otherwise, our aspirations for accelerated development will not fructify and our ambitions to become an economic super power will be thwarted.

The Chief Economic Advisor to the Indian government, V Anantha Nageswaran, recently pointed out that India will be unable to reap economic benefits from the demographic dividend of a young population if the physical and mental health of young people is not protected. The pre-budget Economic Survey of 2024 noted that 56.4 percent of India's present health burden is due to unhealthy diets. We need a policy response.

India is now the world's most populous country. We cannot afford to have a large segment of the population living many years of their life with poor health and low functionality. It is essential that we protect health across the whole life course so that we avert or attenuate the burdens of disease and disability at each stage.

While much of the gap between lifespan and healthspan arises in the last two decades of life, the erosion of health often begins in earlier years. The pathophysiology of adult cardiovascular disease and diabetes is linked to nutritional influences in the early years of life. Our attempts to reduce the burden of disease in later life must commence from the preconception period and extend throughout life, through policies and programmes that promote and protect health coupled with efficient, accessible and affordable health services that restore deranged health. Only when we undertake these measures can we achieve a narrow lifespan-healthspan gap.

(Views are personal)

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WHAT HAPPENS WHEN RULE BOOKS GO OUT THE WINDOW

PRATIK KANJILAL

For years, the author has been speaking easy to a surprisingly tolerant public

SPEAKEASY

FOR the first time in decades, the principles on which the modern world was built are open to question. The healthy instinct of nations to hang together, first in security blocs and UN bodies, and then in free trade zones and multilateral mechanisms like the World Trade Organization, is being replaced by a disregard for the treaty-based and rules-based order that holds the world together. Meanwhile, the clarity which the culture of transparency had brought to public affairs is being replaced by the fog of state-backed disinformation.

This week, it was reported that US president-elect Donald Trump's administration would withdraw the polio vaccine. Then, he denied it in his first press conference since he won a second term. The point is not whether the initial report was true—what matters is that people took the news seriously. The polio eradication programme, which began in 1988, is of great significance for all of humanity. It could be the second great victory against a viral disease, after the eradication of smallpox in 1980. Success would also confirm that an organism which infects only humans can be tackled by herd immunity, without the challenging process of inoculating the global population.

Such projects need nations to follow a common rule book. And Pakistan and Afghanistan, where the disease remains in the wild, have faced criticism for breaking ranks. Their inoculators have been resisted due to the colonial-era perception that vaccination is an imperial plot to sap the strength of sons of the soil. It did not help that the CIA used a vaccination programme in Abbottabad to find where Osama bin Laden was hiding. But since diseases do not respect national borders, these nations could be endangering the world's children, not only their own.

Perhaps it doesn't matter to their governments, since they are not model members of the world order. But imagine the cost to the image of a country like the US if it were to withdraw from the push to eradicate polio. The government is unlikely to take the risk, even if the incoming health secretary is an anti-vaxxer. But floating a wild idea and having the president-elect deny it is politically useful: it leaves the world a little less sure of what to believe, and more receptive to disinformation. This is useful if you plan to break some of the bonds of the rules-based world order.

This year, the International Court of Justice issued warrants against Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and former defence minister Yoav Gallant. Warrants were issued against Russian President Vladimir Putin, too. They must be arrested if they travel to 124 ICC member states. Well, they'll just change their vacation plans, won't they? Putin is suffering some real consequences, having to skip BRICS and G20 summits. Nevertheless, neither he nor Netanyahu have obeyed the ICC's summons. They are letting the world know that they won't be constrained by the rules-based order.

AFP

Benjamin Netanyahu has thumbed his nose at the International Court of Justice's warrants against him. It's symptomatic of the collapse of organisations and treaties that held the world together for decades. It's now easier for state-backed disinformation to flow

The UN and its agencies like WHO were early institutions of that order. The first is now cautionary rather than regulatory. By flooding the world with advisories based on little knowledge and excessive caution, the latter confused the Covid response, brought needless hardships upon a suffering world and lost credibility. But the WTO, which was founded on the Dunkel Draft of the early 1990s as a global bargaining mechanism, has remained somewhat effective in managing disputes in international commerce.

Such institutions were born out of the understanding that nations could readily share a platform based on common rules rather than common political values, and that membership could be regulated by economic benchmarks (the EU is a good example). The WTO worked until Trump's first administration stuck a spanner in the works: in 2019, the US refused to confirm the appointment of judges to the appellate court of the body.

Without a functioning court of appeal, the WTO was crippled. Nations were free to file complaints about unfair trade practices, but no final decision could be arrived at. Now Trump is roaring back to office and threatening tariff barriers—exactly what the WTO's founding document addresses. If the WTO is dysfunctional over the next four years, tariff wars and differences over non-tariff barriers could turn into potent geopolitical weapons. The saving grace is that Trump may only brandish tariffs like the Soviets used to show off ballistic missiles at Moscow's Red Square as tools of deterrence.

Detente gave the Cold War the air of reliability, but the recent revelation of a 1983 Pentagon war game suggests that it's a slippery slope. It revealed that while all-out nuclear war, as seen in *Dr Strangelove*, is unlikely to start, conflict could begin with the use of a low-yield battlefield weapon and grow into an ever-escalating game of nuclear ping-pong. The game showed that nuclear conflict could spiral out of the control of the players.

A world free of nuclear war was perhaps the most important assurance delivered by the post-war, treaty-based world order. Today, if even nuclear deals can't be trusted, does it mean the old certainties have collapsed and nothing is for real anymore?

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Recall right

Ref: *Parliament needs to shun the 'grammar of anarchy'* (Dec 20). The happenings in parliament have overtaken the Kerala assembly ruckus of 2015 in its infamy. Such incidents highlight the need for a law to allow the recall of elected representatives. Globally, the incident is sure to cast a poor shadow on the 'proud' democracy in this land of the Buddha and Mahatma Gandhi.

P R V Raja, Pandalam

Train lawmakers

I need to bow my head in shame as a citizen of the world's biggest democracy. I don't see any kind of discipline or maturity on either side of the political divide. Our parliamentarians can do with rigorous training in decorum and duties before the next session to ensure smooth running of the House.

Lawrence Vadukut, Manalur

Stunning lawlessness

The nation was stunned to see MPs fighting each other. These lawmakers have been elected to discuss issues concerning the common man. Instead, our MPs are behaving like college students who, in my younger days, would fight over strikes. The MPs have to change their attitude; else, people will lose hope in the Constitution and democracy.

B Sundar, Chennai

Kindergartens better

President Droupadi Murmu should invite a group of kindergarten children to parliament and honour them over our veteran parliamentarians. The shallowness of our parliamentarians showing eagerness to cash in on trivial matters and their shameless disregard for their assignments reflect poorly on the legislative and administrative fields.

Ullattil Pakiteeri Raghunathan, Thrissur

Against Ambedkar

It's wont for some to commit blunders with regard to leaders like Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose and B R Ambedkar. For example, the CPI had such animosity towards Ambedkar that in the 1952 Lok Sabha elections it cooperated with the Congress to defeat him in North Bombay. It did so again in the Bhandara byelection. Only later did it repent.

T Hanuman Chowdary, Hyderabad

Golden mean

Ref: *For grace in legal evolution* (Dec 20). Justice Krishna Iyer belonged to a school of socialism that considered distributing state properties among the poor. Justice D Y Chandrachud interpreted Article 39(b) in keeping with the present trend of privatisation. A golden mean is needed.

G Nataraja Perumal, email

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Amit Shah @AmitShah
SSBi is promoting self-employment among the youth of border areas by training them in fields like beekeeping, computer training, mobile repairing and motor driving.

Rahul Gandhi @RahulGandhi
It is unfortunate that farmers are being forced to go on hunger strike and protest again and again for their legitimate demands.

Mamata Banerjee @MamataOfficial
BJP has been systematically demolishing our constitutional ethos, tearing apart the values that define our democracy and the principles that bind us as a nation.

■ Former Union MoS for law to head 39-member panel ■ RS Chairman rues only 40% productivity during winter session ■ Birla move comes day after fracas

BJP's PP Chaudhary to head Parliament panel on 'One Nation One Poll'

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

DAYS after the government introduced the 'One Nation One Election' Bill in the Lok Sabha, BJP MP PP Chaudhary was appointed chairman of the Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) to scrutinise the bills. The Bill proposes to conduct simultaneous elections to the Lok Sabha and state assemblies across the country.

Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla constituted the 39-member committee and appointed Chaudhary, a former Union minister of state for law and justice, as its chairman.

Earlier, Union Law Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal had moved resolutions in the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha to refer the Constitution (129th Amendment) Bill and the Union Territories Laws (Amendment) Bill to a joint committee of the two Houses.

The government decided to increase the committee's strength from 31 to 39 as more political parties were keen to be a part of the exercise to examine the legislations.

Former Union ministers Anurag Thakur, Parshottam Rupala, PP Chaudhary, Manish Tewari and several first-term MPs including Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Bansuri Swaraj and Sambit Patra, have been named as members of the panel, with 27 members from the Lok Sabha and 12 members from the Rajya Sabha.

Meghwal moved the resolutions in the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha separately amid protests by the Opposition on certain parts of Union Home Minister Amit Shah's remarks on BR Ambedkar.

The two 'One Nation, One Election' Bills, including one requiring an amendment in the Constitution, lay down the mechanism to hold simultaneous elections and were introduced in the Lok Sabha on Tuesday after a fiery debate.

"The government agreed that the matter is very important and it relates to the reformation of the election process of our country. So, we agreed to include most of the prominent political parties," Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju told reporters.

PP Chaudhary

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Representation

Among the 39 members of the joint committee, 16 are from the BJP, five from the Congress, two each from SP, TMC and DMK, and one each from the Shiv Sena, TDP, JD(U), RLD, LJP(RV), JSP, Shiv Sena(UBT), NCP-SP, CPM, AAP, BJD and YSRCP. The NDA has 22 members and 10 are from the opposition INDIA bloc. The BJD is yet to spell out its stand on simulta-neous polls, while the YSRC has backed it.

'Meaningful debate vs destructive disruption'

Rajya Sabha Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar arrives to conduct proceedings in the House during the winter session on Friday | PTI

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE Winter Session of the Rajya Sabha concluded on December 20, barely recording a productivity of 40 per cent, much of the time spent on the Opposition's attempts to remove Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar from office, accusing him of bias.

Dhankhar adjourned the House sine die but not before urging members to choose between "meaningful debate" and "destructive disruption".

He reproached the trend of publicising notices through the media before parliamentary consideration and taking recourse to Rule 267, saying they are "under institutional dignity".

Unmoved by constant disruptions on the last day of the session, he appealed to members to rise above political differences and uphold the democratic legacy. "Our democratic legacy demands we rise above political differences and restore the sanctity of parliamentary discourse."

While our celebration of Samvidhan Diwas in the Samvidhan Sadan was meant to reaffirm democratic values, our actions tell a different story. The stark reality is troubling

Jagdeep Dhankhar, Rajya Sabha Chairman

Reflecting on the session coinciding with the 75th anniversary of the Constitution, he remarked, "We conclude this session coinciding with the 75th anniversary of our Constitution; we face a moment of serious reflection. While our celebration of Samvidhan Diwas in the historic Samvidhan Sadan was meant to reaffirm democratic values, our actions in this House tell a different story. The stark reality is troubling".

The chairman told the members the impact the disruptions are having outside the House. "We are drawing severe criticism from the people of India and rightfully so. These persistent disruptions are steadily eroding public trust in our democratic institutions."

He called for the members' introspection and accountability, stating, "The citizens of our democracy — one-sixth of humanity — deserve better than this spectacle".

"Where reasoned dialogue should prevail, we witness only chaos. I urge every Parliamentarian to examine their conscience," he said.

The Opposition had its say as well. Trinamool Congress MP Derek O'Brien remarked that the Rajya Sabha Chairman spoke for around 30 per cent of the time the House functioned.

Speaker warns of action against MPs for protests inside House premises

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

A DAY after a scuffle in the Parliament premises, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla on Friday warned members of action if they hold demonstrations and protests at any of the gates of Parliament.

The directions from the Speaker came after Parliament premises witnessed protests by both the Opposition and treasury members over the remarks by Union Minister Amit Shah on BR Ambedkar.

"Do not resort to demonstration or protest at any gate or anywhere in Parliament premises. Else, the House will have to take serious action," Birla said on Friday.

On Thursday, two MPs were injured in a scuffle and a woman lawmaker alleged intimidation by Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi during the rival protests on the Ambedkar issue.

"It is not proper to hold any kind of protests or demonstration at any of the gates of Parliament. You will have to follow the rules in this regard. I urge you once again to take this warning seriously," Birla said in the House.

On Friday, INDIA bloc members including Congress, TMC, SP and AAP held a march from Vijay Chowk to Parliament demanding apology from Amit Shah over his remarks. Meanwhile, BJP members carried out demonstrations against the Congress in Parliament premises and demanded Rahul Gandhi's apology for allegedly inflicting injuries to their two MPs.

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Crime Branch to take over probe into FIR against Rahul in Parliament scuffle

SHEKHAR SINGH @ New Delhi

THE Crime Branch of Delhi Police is set to take over the probe into the FIR filed against Congress leader Rahul Gandhi for allegedly pushing and injuring BJP MPs during the scuffle on the Parliament premises, sources said on Friday.

Senior officials have indicated that the first step in the probe will involve inspecting the Makar Dwar area where the incident unfolded.

The clash, which escalated during protests by MPs from both the ruling NDA and the Opposition, left BJP MPs Mahesh Rajput and Pratap Sarangi injured. Both the MPs, currently receiving treatment at Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, are expected to provide crucial statements, the officials said.

According to the BJP, the injuries were caused by Rahul Gandhi pushing the MPs, prompting the party to lodge a complaint for "physical assault and incitement." Gandhi has vehemently denied the claims, asserting that BJP members "pushed and threatened" him while he attempted to enter the Parliament. The Congress has filed a counter complaint.

The confrontation reportedly stemmed from simultaneous protests by both sides, each accusing the other of disrespecting Dalit icon BR Ambedkar. "Amid conflicting narratives, the Special Crime Unit plans to call MPs present during the scuffle to piece together the sequence of events," said an official.

Electronic evidence will play a pivotal role in the investigation. The police are set to collect CCTV footage and mobile recordings, including videos captured by media personnel, to validate the claims and counterclaims, the official said.

"In a potential next step, the police may seek permission from the LS Speaker to recreate the incident, aiming to reconstruct the sequence of events leading to the clash," he said.

POWER CORRIDOR

INDIA bloc MPs protest against Amit Shah's remarks on Ambedkar, in Parliament House Complex on Friday; (R) BJP MPs protest against Congress leader Rahul Gandhi | PTI

NO DATA ON SUICIDES IN MEDICAL COLLEGES, CENTRE TELLS HOUSE

The government on Friday informed Lok Sabha that data regarding suicide cases reported in the medical education institutions have not been compiled centrally. In a written reply, Minister of State of Health and Family Welfare, Anupriya Patel, said the government has taken various measures to address mental health challenges and promote student well-being which include implementation of National Mental Health Programme.

'ED SEARCHED 20 PLACES IN FAKE AYUSHMAN BHARAT CARD CASES'

The Directorate of Enforcement has conducted searches at 20 locations in a case related to alleged generation of fake Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) cards, the government informed the Lok Sabha on Friday. In a written reply, Minister of State of Health and Family Welfare, Prataprao Jadhav, said the locations searched included seven hospitals and key management persons, across Delhi, Chandigarh, Punjab and Himachal Pradesh.

LOK SABHA PRODUCTIVITY AT 57.87% DURING WINTER SESSION

The Lok Sabha's winter session had a productivity of 57.87 per cent, official sources said on Friday. Among the key bills introduced during the session were two that lay down the mechanism to hold simultaneous elections. The Lower House last week saw a debate on 75 years of the Constitution's adoption. The Lok Sabha sat an extra day last week to discuss the workings of the Constitution, which was discussed for 16 hours in LS and 17 hours in RS.

10-acre 'Kalagram' along Ganga for Mahakumbh

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

FOR the Mahakumbh at Prayagraj, a culture village, called Kalagram, will be set up on over 10 acres at Daraganj along the banks of the Ganga and it will have demarcated spaces for seven zonal cultural centres (ZCC), officials said.

The marked areas are named 'aangans' (courtyards), where the ministry of culture plans to showcase art and crafts from all member states and union territories (UT). Exhibitions on the theme of Kumbha, including an immersive display, food court, and activity areas will also be put up at the venue. The ambience creation of Kalagram will be done by an expert private agency in collaboration with artists of ZCCs and Lalit Kala Akademi.

The participating ZCCs are located in Patiala (Punjab), Nagpur (Maharashtra), Udaipur (Rajasthan), Prayagraj (Uttar Pradesh), Kolkata (West Bengal), Dimapur (Nagaland), and Thanjavur (Tamil Nadu).

According to the officials, diverse art installations, including cultural, educational, and commercial exhibits, are also planned for an engaging visitor experience.

Union tourism culture minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat earlier told this newspaper that a cultural extravaganza, showcasing the vibrant and colourful customs, arts and crafts of the states, is planned at Mahakumbh starting January in Prayagraj. After the consultation with the Uttar Pradesh government, the ministry has got prime space allocated close to the main Mahakumbh Mela venue so that more visitors can witness the festivities, Shekhawat said.

The authorities have also planned to place an installation on the proposed Yuge Yugeen Bharat Museum at the venue. One of the highlights at Kalagram will be a Ganga pandal with capacity of 10,000 audiences by the Mela Authority. This will be the main arena, where celebrity performances will be held everyday.

Additionally, three pandals with a space for 4,000 people will be erected at Jhunsi, Nagvasuki and Areil. "There will also be another amphitheatre of 1,000 capacity at Kalagram, where Snageet Natak Akademi awardees artists, National School of Drama productions and ZCC ensembles will be organised," an official said. "Apart from this, 20 stages will also be built throughout the city. They will be handed over to the UP culture department and the ministry of culture," the official added.

Meanwhile, the Indian Railways is gearing up to redefine the Mahakumbh experience with an innovative Gram Tent City initiative in Prayagraj. The Mahakumbh, scheduled from January 14 to February 2025, is set to blend spirituality with modernity, providing a unique experience for millions of pilgrims.

The 'Mahakumbh Gram Tent City' plan, launched by IRCTC, aims to deliver a seamless and memorable experience for visitors.

ADDING SHEEN TO CONGREGATION

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Cabinet hikes MSP for copra by up to 121% for 2025 season

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

AS part of its pro-farmer stance since it assumed power in its third term, the NDA government on Friday gave its nod for the increased Minimum Support Price (MSP) for copra for 2025 season. The hike has been made by ₹422 per quintal for milling copra and ₹100 per quintal for ball copra.

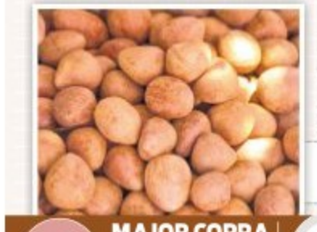
After the meeting the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, chaired by PM Narendra Modi, I&B Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said, "In order to provide remunerative prices to the cultivators, the government had announced in the Union Budget of 2018-19 that MSP of all the mandated crops will be fixed at levels of at least 1.5 times of all India weighted average cost of production. Accordingly, the MSP for 'Fair Average Quality' of milling copra has been fixed at ₹11,582 per quintal and for ball copra at ₹12,100 per quintal for the crop season 2025."

The government has increased MSP for milling copra and ball copra from ₹5,250 per quintal and ₹5,500 per quintal for the marketing season 2014 to ₹11,582 per quintal and ₹12,100 per quintal for the marketing season 2025, registering a growth of 121% and 120%, respectively, Vaishnaw said.

He said National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd and National Cooperative Consumers' Federation will continue to act as Central Nodal Agencies for procurement of copra and de-husked coconut under Price Support Scheme, which will have an additional financial implication of ₹855 crore to the government.

A higher MSP will not only ensure better remunerative returns to the coconut growers in Karnataka, which has the highest share of 32.7%, followed by Tamil Nadu (25.7%), Kerala (25.4 %) and Andhra Pradesh (7.7%), but also incentivise farmers to expand copra production to meet the growing demand for coconut products both domestically and internationally, Vaishnaw said.

Farmers in Southern states to benefit



Milling copra (per quintal) **From ₹11,160 to ₹11,582**

Ball copra (per quintal) **From ₹12,000 to ₹12,100**

NAFED and NCCF are the central nodal agencies for copra

ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL IMPLICATION **₹855 CR**

MAJOR COPRA PRODUCING STATES: Karnataka 32.7% | Tamil Nadu 25.7% | Kerala 25.4% | Andhra 7.7%

NAXALITE ACTIVITIES

Concerted offensives against Naxalites in Bihar have restricted them to only eight of the state's 38 districts, a government official said. This year, a total of 120 Naxalites were arrested from different parts of the state.

4 HELD IN MUMBAI UNIVERSITY ADMISSION RACKET

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	28	17	Mumbai	28	22
Bhopal	25	10	Panaji	32	28
Jaipur	23	11	Patna	29	21
Amritsar	20	07	Lucknow	27	10
Chennai	29	25	Port Blair	34	28
Kolkata	21	17	Imphal	23	18
Srinagar	07	-02	Chandigarh	21	07

Man linked to 24 crashes unravels insurance fraud

Officials yet to find if driver was a willing participant or implicated

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @Ahmedabad

AN elaborate insurance fraud has come to light in Gujarat, an ordinary car driver the central character, resulting in a massive fraud of false claims running into lakhs of rupees.

At the core of the alleged scam controversy is one Aslam Mohammad Chunchala, who has been identified as the driver in 24 separate accident claims in Panchmahal, Dahod, and Mahisagar districts.

Authorities are yet to determine whether Chunchala was a willing participant or falsely implicated in the scam. But the pattern of the incidents suggests a well-orchestrated conspiracy to cheat insurance companies on a large scale.

The expose followed an investigation into a suspicious claim filed in 2016. The case dates back to October 22, 2015, when Jagdishbhai Laxmanbhai Baria sought ₹3 lakh in compensation for injuries allegedly sustained in an accident involving a Toofan vehicle. Aslam Mohammad Chunchala was named as the driver, while Sikandar Sulemanbhai Samad was listed as the vehicle's owner.

Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Company, the insurer, was directed to settle the claim. But, a private firm engaged by Bajaj to verify the claim discovered a startling pattern—Chunchala had been named the driver in 23 other accidents across Panchmahal, Dahod, and Mahisagar. This finding blew the lid off what investigators suspect to be a large-scale scam.

Kalpesh Kantilal Prajapati, the area manager for Bajaj Allianz in Godhra, lodged a complaint at Godhra Taluka Police Station. Chunchala is accused of posing as the driver in multiple fabricated accident cases, allegedly offering his role for a fee to facilitate fraudulent claims. The expose has raised questions about the extent of the conspiracy and its implications for the insurance industry.

The scam is the latest in a series that has plagued Gujarat through dubious claims and fraudulent activities. Only last year, Vadodara resident Hanif Mansuri, a Godhra native, made headlines after admitting his involvement in 22 accident cases despite having no actual connection to any of them.

Mansuri's alleged activities spanned over a decade, with the first offence recorded at Rajgadh police station in 2008 and the last at Morva Hadaf in 2019. Of the 22 cases, 20 were filed in Panchmahal district, with one each in Dahod and Kheda.

His actions came to light when Udesinh Solanki filed a petition with the Halol Motor Accidents Claim Tribunal in 2023, seeking an insurance payout from ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company.

Gujarat's high claims ratio, often exceeding 130%, nearly double the national average of 60%-70%, probably reflects the magnitude of such frauds.

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MAHA MOVE

Fadnavis orders probe into Beed, Parbhani clashes

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @Mumbai

MAHARASHTRA Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Friday announced judicial probes into the Parbhani violence over the alleged desecration of a replica of the Constitution and the murder of a sarpanch in Beed district. He constituted a special investigation team in the sarpanch murder case.

"The incidents in Beed and Parbhani are unfortunate. The state government has taken the serious note of both these incidents. We will have SIT investigation and judicial probe in the Beed murder case," Fadnavis said during the assembly winter session in Nagpur.

"Through a judicial probe, we will probe organised crime and its syndicate. The accused and the people who are associated with this crime are running an extortion racket. Action will be taken against is the mastermind in the Beed case under Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act," he said. "We suspended the local police officer and Beed district police superintendent was transferred. The SIT will probe the criminal angle," he said.

The CM assured the House that the probes will be completed within the next three to six months, and action will be taken. "The act in Parbhani was done by a mentally ill person. Insult to the Constitution of India is an insult to all Indians."

Char Dham Yatra all set to become seamless as Dhami okays forming of authority

NARENDRA SETHI @Dehradun

THE Uttarakhand government has announced the formation of a Char Dham Yatra Authority to make the pilgrimage to the four shrines — Badrinath, Kedarnath, Gangotri, and Yamunotri — more accessible and convenient for devotees.

During a meeting held on Friday, CM Pushkar Singh Dhami directed officials to gather suggestions from stakeholders by January 15 and complete the establishment of the Authority by January 30.

Dhami called for improved management of the Char Dham Yatra by incorporating suggestions from priests and stakeholders. "We should take suggestions from the priests and stakeholders to implement the best possible measures for yatra management. A more organised Char Dham Yatra can be achieved by effectively utilising digital technology to strengthen the registration system," he said, adding that the pilgrimage is associated with the pride of the hill state.

He emphasised the need for comprehensive preparations ahead of the yatra, focusing on pilgrims' convenience, traffic management, and development of infrastructure facilities.

"The carrying capacity of the shrines, arrangements along the travel routes, and all other related factors should be taken into account," he added. Noting that there was a significant influx of devotees during last year's yatra, Dhami called for meticulous planning and execution to ensure a better experience this time.

Dhami highlighted the importance of developing the mythological sites surrounding the four shrines. "There should be extensive promotion of Panch Badri and Panch Kedar, along with their planned development," he said.

Pradeep Chauhan, coordinator for the yatra, said, "This year the number of devotees visiting the Char Dham Yatra was 4,804,215. Although this figure is 814,282 less compared to 2023, it is noteworthy as the yatra faced interruptions due to heavy rainfall and landslides."

CM launches 'Meri yojana-Rajya sarkar'

The Pushkar Singh Dhami-led BJP government has introduced accountability, presenting progress report cards to the public. At the launch of 'Meri yojana-Rajya sarkar', Dhami said, "A former Congress PM once admitted that of every ₹1 sent from the Centre, only 15 paise reached the intended recipient, with 85 paise disappearing along the way." Deepak Kumar, Secretary of the Programme Implementation Department, highlighted on the importance of simplifying access to various welfare schemes.

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Green tribunal comes to rescue of feral horses

The National Green Tribunal has come to the rescue of endangered feral horses in Assam's Dibru-Saikhowa National Park. The tribunal issued notices to the Centre and the state government seeking a status report of the animal. Taking note of reported falling number of feral horses due to smuggling, habitat loss and floods, it said urgent intervention was needed. The Dibru-Saikhowa National Park, located in Assam's eastern fringe, is one of the few places in the world which is home to feral horses. They are descendants of horses which bolted out of stables set up by the British Army in Tinsukia during World War II.

Mobiles banned during cabinet meetings

The Assam government has enforced a ban on the use of mobile phones during cabinet meetings. In a letter, the cabinet cell said, "All ministers, secretaries and officials are requested to keep their mobile phones outside the cabinet room before entering the meeting." It added, "It is to ensure focused and undivided attention of members present in the meeting." The directive was issued as CM Himanta Biswa Sarma was reportedly not happy when a minister seated next to him during a recent cabinet meeting took a call when during an important discussion.

Railway collaborates with IIT-Guwahati

The Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) and the Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati (IIT-Guwahati) have drawn up a detailed roadmap for collaboration. The two met recently and discussed advanced underwater inspection and maintenance system of railway bridges by using robotics and AI-based systems to address the challenges of underwater bridge maintenance. NFR chief public relations officer Kapinjal Kishore Sharma said the collaboration between NFR and IIT-Guwahati set a benchmark for blending academic research with practical implementation in railway sector.

Bitten by a cop, says Assam Cong neta after scuffle

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @Guwahati

SENIOR spokesperson of Assam Congress Ashwin Kumar Mahanta alleged he was bitten by a police officer during a scuffle in Guwahati on Friday.

The Congress had taken out a protest march against the death of a party leader, Mridul Islam. He died after the police threw tear gas shells on him during a "Raj Bhavan Chalo" march on Wednesday.

"We took out a march to pay homage to him. An Assam Police Service officer targeted me. He pulled me and bit me on my shoulder," Mahanta said.

The party shared a video of him showing the mark and said, "I know the police officer but cannot recall his name."

After the incident, several Congress leaders, including party's state chief Bhupen Kumar Borah, were taken to the Hockey Stadium and detained.

"I was going through excruciating pain. I repeatedly requested the police to take me to a hospital," Mahanta added.

This newspaper could not contact the senior police officials. Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma slammed the Congress for allegedly trying to create unrest in Guwahati.

Amid protest from locals, Arunachal CM bats for hydro project citing China

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Guwahati

ARUNACHAL Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu has strongly advocated for the proposed Siang Upper Multipurpose Project, citing concerns over China's plans on the river Siang.

Amid protests by the locals in Siang and Upper Siang districts, where the project is slated to be implemented, Khandu said China has already approved the construction of a project that would generate about 60,000 MW of power on river Siang – known as Yarlung Tsangpo in the Tibet region just before entering India through Tuting in Upper Siang.

According to Khandu, China, which is not a signatory to the International Water Conventions, intends to divert the water from the multiple water reservoirs to be created under the project to dry regions of Tibet and elsewhere in the country.

"In such a scenario, it is inevitable that the volume of water in Siang will drastically get reduced so much so that during winters one will be able to cross the mighty river on foot," Khandu said.

He emphasised another pressing reason for India to proceed with the Siang project that is if China released water from its dams suddenly, it would leave a trail of destruction downstream in the Siang belt, Assam and Bangladesh.

Khandu said although India's relationship with China would improve through ongoing bilateral talks, yet "we cannot remain complacent".

He said the Siang project was proposed by the Centre to maintain natural flow of water in the river throughout the year and flood modulation in the event of release of water by China.

Dismissing rumors that the government intends to forcibly execute the project by using armed police forces, Khandu said, "We are a democratic country. We do not believe in forcing projects on our own people. We believe in taking into confidence the last man in the queue."

52 kg gold, ₹10 cr cash seized from car in biggest MP haul

ANURAAG SINGH @Bhopal

AN MUV stuffed with bags containing more than 52 kg gold bullions (bricks) worth over ₹40 crore and around ₹10 crore cash was found parked at a desolate place on the outskirts of Bhopal on Thursday-Friday intervening night.

The discovery of the vehicle at an open area amid a clutch of farmhouses belonging to rich and powerful people and the seizure of the unaccounted gold and cash in Mendori (Ratibad) area assumed significance as it happened during two raids — one by the I-T department at more than four dozen locations of three prominent builders, and another by the Lokayukta Special Police Establishment at two premises linked to a transport department constable-turned-real estate businessman Saurabh Sharma in Bhopal.

Sharma is believed to have strong connections with rich and influential people in the state, including some former bureaucrats and cops.

Investigations revealed that the white-colour MUV, which bore hooters and the 'RTO' sticker, was owned by one Chandan Singh Gaur from Gwalior. The car bears the registration number of Gwalior district. Gaur has been living in Bhopal for the last four years. Interestingly, one of the two premises being raided by the Lokayukta also belongs to one Chandan Singh Gaur.

"On Thursday-Friday intervening night, we were informed about an MUV being parked on the road going towards Kushalpura. When our team reached there, it found seven-eight bags inside the vehicle, after which it was suspected that owing to the ongoing action (raids by agencies), someone could possibly be trying to do away with their assets. I-T officials were informed about it, after which their teams rushed to the spot and took out the bags from the vehicle. The bags had 52 kg gold and ₹9.86 crore cash," Bhopal DCP Priyanka Shukla said.

According to I-T department sources, the seizure is perhaps the biggest one of unaccounted gold and cash from a single location in Madhya Pradesh.

Chain of events

An MUV bearing hooters and a 'RTO' sticker and stuffed with **52 kg** unaccounted gold worth over **₹40 crore** and **₹10 crore** cash found parked on Bhopal's outskirts on Thursday-Friday night

THE VEHICLE IS OWNED BY ONE CHANDAN SINGH GAUR, A NATIVE OF GWALIOR

THIS PERHAPS IS THE BIGGEST EVER SEIZURE OF UNACCOUNTED GOLD AND CASH FROM A SINGLE LOCATION EVER IN MP

The late-night seizure by the I-T department happened amid ongoing raids at **48**-plus premises of **3** builders in Bhopal

Search led to unaccounted immovable assets worth **₹8 crore**, including **2.34 quintal** silver

GST hike on shawl proposed, J&K artisans worried

FAYAZ WANI @Srinagar

THE proposed GST hike from 12 to 28 percent on Kashmir shawls valued over ₹10,000 has caused anxiety among J&K artisans and dealers.

The Group of Ministers on rate rationalisation led by Deputy Chief Minister of Bihar Samrat Chaudhary has recommended raising taxes on textile products including Kashmiri shawls and crewel items from 12 per cent to 28 per cent for items priced above ₹10,000.

This proposal is set to be discussed during the 55th GST council meeting at Jaisalmer, Rajasthan on December 21.

The move has caused concern in the Valley.

An artisan, Ghulam Ahmed said the artisans toil very hard to make shawls and other items. "It takes a lot of toll on our health. If the government increases the GST, then we are in for a doom. Who will buy our items when inflation is already high. It will snatch our livelihood," he said.

Kashmir Chamber of Commerce and Industry President Javid Ahmad Tenga said implications of the GST hike is concerning as Kashmiri shawl is not a luxury item. "This handicrafts sector provides direct and indirect employment to over 3 lakh artisans, with many being from marginalised communities. The proposed GST hike threatens the handicraft industry," he said.

National Conference leader and MLA Tanvir Sadiq said the Kashmiri shawls and crewels are the backbone of Kashmir's cultural heritage.

PDP leader and former minister Naeem Akhtar termed the tax increase as a severe blow to the already struggling handicraft sector. "Kashmiri shawl weavers create masterpieces admired globally. The proposed taxation is nothing less than an assault on their heritage and a threat to their survival."

A THREAT TO INDUSTRY

Proposal to increase GST on Kashmiri shawls, crewels from **12% to 28%**

Demand to see a drop in the market

GST HIKE WILL SEVERELY IMPACT LIVELIHOOD OF ARTISANS

Handicrafts constitute **80%** of workforce in labour intensive industry

Nearly **3 lakh** people directly or indirectly associated with handicrafts in Valley

40-day harsh winter in Valley begins today

FAYAZ WANI @Srinagar

KASHMIR is bracing up for 'Chilai Kalan', the harshest winter period of 40 days which starts from December 21.

During the 40-day period, Kashmir remains in grip of intense cold wave conditions with maximum chances of snowfall and rainfall and the night temperatures staying many degrees below freezing point.

The water bodies freeze during nights, with people heating water supply lines to defreeze taps. A day before the Chilai Kalan, Srinagar recorded coldest night of the season with mercury dropping to 6.2 degrees Celsius.

Director MeT Kashmir, Dr Mukhtar Ahmed said the Chilai Kalan this year may be harsher. "The cold wave would further intensify in Kashmir after December 23," he said.

No '7 pheres' or 'band-baja', couple takes vow in the name of Constitution

EJAZ KAISER @Raipur

AS members of Parliament clashed in both Houses on who respected the Constitution more, the issue was settled by a Scheduled Caste couple in a remote Chattisgarh village. Pratima and her beau, Yaman Lahre, entered into matrimony by taking an oath on the Preamble of the Constitution.

They trusted the Constitution more than traditional marriage rituals. No 'mantras' were chanted. They confirmed their marriage by exchanging garlands and circumambulated the image of the Constitution's architect, Dr BR Ambedkar.

All this happened in Kapu village in Jashpur district of Chattisgarh, 350 km away from Raipur and far, far away from the clamour in Parliament House in Delhi.

The couple hails from the Satnami community (a Scheduled Caaste) so they chose November 18, the birth anniversary of sect founder Guru Ghasidas, to get married.

They made it clear they will not follow any Hindu marriage ritual: No 'mangal sutra', no vermillion mark on the bridge's forehead, no 'saat phere". Not even 'band baja'. For their marriage vows, they recited the Preamble as they held a copy of the Constitution in their hands.

"We have made up our mind on organising such a marriage and taking oath on the Constitution. Not just our families, relatives but the community members too are happy with our decision as they attended the occasion extending their blessings. Our motive was also intended to avoid unnecessary expenditure", said Yaman Lahre and Pratima.

Were they conveying a message to society? Ramesh Sharma, a local journalist said, "Such marriage is quite inspiring to those who are planning a simple marriage without exorbitant expenses on ceremony. The couple underlined the notion that, as Congress leader Rahul Gandhi often advocates, the Constitution is 'a book of love' containing thoughts and philosophies that work as uniting factors."

'A book of love'

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Date: 21.12.2024 Place: Bengaluru

Canara Bank

A Government of India Undertaking

ARM Branch - II, 2nd Floor, Circle Office, Spencer Towers, No. 86, MG Road, Bangalore - 560001
Ph No. 080-25310099, 080-25310181,
E-mail - cb6298@canarabank.com

CORRIGENDUM NOTICE

Refer to our E-Auction Sale Notice Advertisement of Ramanagowda Bevinahalli published in "The New Indian Express and Udayakala" issued on 20.12.2024. Kindly read the Reserve Price as Rs 63,00,000/- and EMD amount as Rs 6,30,000/-.
All other terms and conditions will remain the same.

Sd/-,
Place: Bengaluru Authorized Officer
Date: 20.12.2024 Canara Bank

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank Regional Office West

(A Government of India Undertaking)
Chitrapur Mutt Complex,
Malleswaram 15th Cross, Bangalore-560055.

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8(1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas The undersigned being the authorized Officer of the **Canara Bank, Regional Office West Branch,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **15.10.2024** calling upon the Borrower **1. M/s Rudreshwara Traders, Anchepalya,** #157, Srikantapura, Nagasandra Post, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru- 562162. **2. Mr. R Ravi Kumar (Propreitor)** S/o Rudrappa, #142, 1st Floor, 4th Main Road, Ravi Kirloskar Layout, Chikbidarakallu, Bengaluru- 560073. **Mrs. Lakshmi Sridhar (Director cum Guarantor) 3. Mrs. Prameela** W/o R Ravikumar (Guarantor) #142, 1st Floor, 4th Main Road, Ravi Kirloskar Layout, Chikbidarakallu, Bengaluru- 560073. to repay the amount mentioned in the notice of **Rs.13,51,984.12** (Rupees Thirteen Lakhs Fifty One Thousand Nine Hundred And Eighty Four and Twelve Paise Only) Dated **10.10.2024** and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **20th day of December 2024.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Canara Bank, Chikkabidarakallu Branch** for an amount of **Rs.13,51,984.12** (Rupees Thirteen Lakhs Fifty One Thousand Nine Hundred And Eighty Four And Twelve Paise Only) Dated **10.10.2024** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of Secured Assets:

Name of Title holder: Smt. Prameela and Sri. R Ravikumar

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Khata No.126,127,128/19 situated at Srikanatapura, Anchepalya, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Tq measuring in total 1875 Sq ft bounded on: East By: Property of Sannarangaiah, West By: Property of Rudrappa, North by: Honnappa, South By: Road.

Date : 20.12.2024 Sd/-Authorized Officer
Place : Bangalore Canara Bank

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL, KARNATAKA

Krishi Bhavan, Hudson Circle, Nrupathunga Road, Bangalore-560001.
Ph : 080-22244324.

R.P.NO. 127/10 IN DRC NO. 6410, DATED : 19.11.2010

To,
1. M/s. Bonsai Infomark Pvt. Ltd.
No. 24, 4th Main, N.R. Colony, Bangalore-560019.
Represented by its Director Sri Sarvajit Bai.
2. Sri Sarvajit Bai S/o. Sri Srinivas Rai
Director, M/S. Bonsai Infomark Pvt. Ltd., R/a No. 407, Skyline Apartments, Nagarbhavi Road, 5th Block, Bangalore-560072.
3. Smt. Shobha Rai W/o. Sri Sarvajit Rai
Director, M/s. Bonsai Infomark Pvt. Ltd., R/a No. 407, Skyline Apartments, Nagarbhavi Road, 5th Block, Bangalore-560072. - **Defendant/Certified Debtors.**

Subject : DRC No. 6410 in OA No. 230/2010 in the matter of Vijaya Bank, Asset Recovery Management Branch, No. 19, Shrutha Complex, Primrose Road, Bangalore-560025.

Vs. M/s. Bonsai Infomark Pvt. Ltd. And Two Others.

Whereas a Debts Recovery Certificate has been forwarded by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer, Debt Recovery Tribunal, Karnataka, Bangalore vide DRC No. 6410 dated 12.07.2010 under the sub section (22) of Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 (Act 51 of 1993) hereinafter referred to as the Act. **Rs. 43,37,419.78** (Rupees Forty Three Lakhs Thirty Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Nineteen paise Seventy Eight only) the details of which are given below is to be recovered from you jointly and severally.

2. You the defendants are hereby directed to pay the above said sum, within 15 days from the date of receipt of this notice, to the applicant bank, under intimation to the undersigned, failing which recovery shall be effected in accordance with the provisions of Section 25 and other relevant provisions of the Act.

3. In addition to the sum aforesaid, you shall be liable, for payment of : (a) Such interest as is payable in accordance with the provisions of the Said Act of 1993 for the period from the date of order of the Tribunal till the date of realization of the debt in full; and

(b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred for the service of this notice and other processes and warrants and all other proceedings for the realization of the debt in full.

1. Amount of DRC

Sl. No.	Item	Amount (in Rupees)
1.	Amount Determined	37,41,661.78
2.	Interst @ 17% p.a. compounded quarterly from 25.02.2010 to 12.07.2010	5,21,318.00

2. SCHEDULE OF COSTS

Sl. No.	Item	Amount (in Rupees)
1.	O.A. Fees Paid to DRT	40,000
2.	Advocate's fee	26,000
3.	Other Charges	8,440
	3. Total (1+2)	43,37,419.78

(A.K. Singh)
Recovery Officer II

Copy to :
The Chief Manager, Vijaya Bank, Asset Recovery Management Branch, No. 19,Shrutha Complex, Primrose Road, Bangalore-560025, with the request that, the details of payment made, if any, by the defendant(s) may please be intimated to the Recovery Officer immediately. He is also directed to appear before the undersigned with the aforesiad details on **28.12.2010 at 11.30 a.m.** and apprise the Tribunal for further action taken by them subsequent to the isue of demand notice. If any mortgaged property is avilable, and then the latst Encumbrance Certificate and the valuation report of the property should be sent/informed to the Recovery Officer immediately. He should contact the Recovery Officer about the further action to be taken in the matter (such as attachment of property etc.) after 15 days from the date of issue of this demand notice.
Note : Always quote the RP. No. 127/10 in all future correspondence.

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY / e-Tender Notice

Tender No : RTNo.73 to 78/24-25/SE/PHC/PKD

JJM- RT73- Construction of 3LL OHSR at Thekkemalampuzha RT74-77 Road restoration- Kizhakkencheri Phase I, Kizhakkencheri Phase II, Kannambra Phase II, Ambalappara GP. RT78 - Supplying and lalying of 450mm DI pipe at Puthupariyaram GP. EMD : Rs. 50000 - 100000, Tender fee : Rs. 5515 - 8270, Last Date for submitting Tender : 30-12-2024 03:00:pm, Phone : 04912544927
Website : **www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in**
KWA-JB-GL-6-949-2024-25 Superintending Engineer, PH Circle, Palakkad

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India

ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH, BENGALURU NORTH
No.1234, 1st Floor, 4th Main, Opp: Chandra Layout Bus Stop, Chandra Layout, Bengaluru – 560 040.
Mail Id:arb.bengalurunorth@unionbankofindia.bank, Mobile: 90032 23669

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorized officer of **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 (Act No. 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, Our Koramangala branch (now transferred to ARB- Bengaluru North) issued a Demand Notice dated **09.01.2023** calling upon the borrowers :**Bibekananda Behera** S/o.Maheshwar Behera, Jampa Coral Apartment, No.G-01, Ground Floor, No.4, Puttenahalli, Bangalore South 560078. **Also at:** C/o Maheshwar Behera House, Balabhadrapur Post,P.S – Pattamundai, Kendrapara,2086 Orissa 754217. **Also at:** No.5, 1st Floor, 17th Cross, 29th Main, Abbaiah Reddy Layout, 6th Phase, JP Nagar, Bangalore 560078 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 43,05,754/-** (Rupees Forty three Lakhs Five Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty four only) and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on this **20/12/2024.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North** for an amount **Rs. 43,05,754/- (Rupees Forty three Lakhs Five Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty four only)** and interest and charges thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURED ASSETS:

SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.4, New BBMP Katha No. 74/298/474/46/2, Old Katha No. 46/2 (earlier Bommanahalli City Muncipal Council, Property No. 474/46/2, Katha No. 298), situated at Puthenahalli Village, Puthenahalli Arakere Puttenehalli Palya, Uttarahali, Bangalore South Taluk (earlier Puttenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk) now coming under the administrative jurisdiction of the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike, Ward No. 27, measuring East to West 50 feet and North to South 40 feet, totally measuring 2000 sqft and bounded on East by : Private Property part of Katha No. 46/2, West by: Private Property part of Katha No. 46/2, North by: Private Property part of Katha No. 46/2, South by: Road.

SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of 243 Sqft undivided right, title and interest in the land in the Schedule A Property

SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the Residential Apartment No.G-01 situated in Ground Floor in the Residential Apartment Building called "JAMPA CORAL" measuring Super Built Area of 850 sq.ft in the building being constructed on the Schedule A Property with the floors, ceiling and walls between units jointly belonging to such Apartment Owners equally including common rights in respect of common areas and amenities with one covered Car Parking Area East by: Common Corridor & Staircase, West by: Flat No.G-02, North by: Common Corridor, South by: Open to Sky.

Note: All the symbolic possession notices issued earlier by our Koramangala branch under SARFAESI Act stands withdrawn and fresh symbolic possession notice is being issued.

Date : 20.12.2024 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Bangalore Union Bank of India

THE KARNATAKA STATE CO-OPERATIVE APEX BANK LTD.

APEX
No.1, 'UTHUNGA', Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru - 560018.
Ph: 080-26983700, 26983722, 22976600, 22976651
E-mail: recoverycell@karnatakaapex.com

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8(1)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Limited.,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **18.10.2024** calling upon the Borrowers; **1) M/s. S.R.S TRAVELS AND LOGISTICS PRIVATE LIMITED,** A Company incorporated and registered under the companies Act of 1956, having its registered Office at No. 321, T.S.P Road, Kalasipalyam, Bengaluru - 560002, **Represented by its Managing Director and Authorized Signatory, Smt. Megha. B.R, 2) Sri K.T. Rajashekara, Since deceased Represented by his sole legal heir Smt. Megha. B.R,** R/at No. 79, "Sreesha", Near Basavanagudi Post Office, H.B. Samaj Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru - 560004, **3) Smt. Megha. B.R W/o Sri Deepak. R, Managing Director and Authorised Signatory, M/s. SRS Travels and Logistics Private Limited., 4) Sri Deepak. R S/o. Sri V. Ramakrishna, Director, M/s. SRS Travels and Logistics Private Limited,** Both are R/at: #79, "Sreesha", Near Basavanagudi Post Office, H.B. Samaja Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru - 560004 and **Guarantors; 5) Smt. Megha. B.R W/o Sri Deepak. R, Managing Director and Authorised Signatory, M/s. SRS Travels and Logistics Private Limited., 6) Sri. Deepak R. S/o. Sri V. Ramakrishna, Director, M/s. SRS Travels and Logistics Private Limited,** Both are R/at: #79, "Sreesha", Near Basavanagudi Post Office, H.B. Samaja Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru - 560004 and Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice being **Rs. 66,38,02,392.08 (Rupees Sixty Six Crore Thirty Eight Lakhs Two Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety Two and Paise Eight Only) as on 24.09.2024** together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest along with cost and charges **within 60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and Guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, on this the **20th Day of December of the year 2024.**

The Borrowers & Guarantors and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., Head Office Branch** for an amount of **Rs. 66,38,02,392.08 (Rupees Sixty Six Crore Thirty Eight Lakhs Two Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety Two and Paise Eight Only) as on 24.09.2024** further with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest and costs and charges till the date of realization.

The Borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

- DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE SCHEDULE PROPERTY -

PROPERTY NUMBER - 1

All that piece and parcel of industrial property bearing No. 77, PID No. 41-3- 77, situated at New Timber Yard Layout, BBMP Old Ward No. 41 and New Ward No.157 of Gali Anjaneya Swamy Temple Ward, Bengaluru, Measuring 21,453.93 Sq. feet all along with building thereon and bounded as follows; **East by :** Road, **West by :** Drain and Property No. 62, **North by :** Property No.76, **South by :** Drain and Property No.78.

PROPERTY NUMBER - 2

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Municipal No. 31/1, PIDNo. 47-73-31/1, (formerly Northern portion of Old Property No. 31 and still earlier 27/32) situated at 2nd Main Road, also called as Dispensary Road, Kalasipalyam, Bengaluru, measuring East to West (105+107)/2 feet and North to South 25 feet and in all measuring 2,650 Sq. ft., and bounded as follows; **East by :** 2nd Main Road (Dispensary Road), **West by :** Private Property, **North by :** Property of R. Nagaraja Setty and, **South by :** Property Number 31.

PROPERTY NUMBER - 3

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Eastern portion of Municipal No. 31, PID No. 47-73-31, (formerly Southern portion of Property No. 31and still earlier 27/32) situated at 2nd Main Road, also called as Dispensary Road, Kalasipalyam, Bengaluru, measuring East to West - 54 feet & North to South 43 feet and in all measuring 2,443.5 Sq. Feet, and Western Portion measuring East to West (53+55)/2 feet & North to South (29.75 + 23.5)/2 feet and in all measuring 1,437.75 Sq. Feet and bounded as follows; **East by :** 2nd Main Road (Dispensary Road), **West by :** Property belongs to Sri. M.V. Suryanarayana, **North by :** Property No. 31/1, **South by :** Conservancy Lane & Private Property.

PROPERTY NUMBER - 4

All that piece and parcel of property bearing bifurcated Khatha No. 21/1, which formed a part of the immovable property previously bearing No. 28/1 and 29/1, situated at New Fort 'F' street, Albert Victor Road, Kalasipalyam, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South (86'-6"+90)/2 feet and totally measuring 3,528 Sq. feet along with structures thereon and bounded; **East by :** Property formerly owned by Sri. Sajjan Rao's Family, **West by :** Property of Hajee C.M. Habibulla Khan, **North by :** Albert Victor Road, **South by :** Property owned by Sri. C.M. Kaleemulla Khan.

PROPERTY NUMBER - 5

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Municipal No. 5 & 6 (Old No. 30 and 32), PID No. 27-22-5/6, along with the building thereon called as **"Hotel Amar"**, situated at Dhanvantary Road, formerly called as Ayurvedic Hospital road, and still earlier as Tank Bund Road, Bengaluru, measuring and bounded as follows; Measurements: **East to West:** 94.5'+8 on North; 68' on the South. **North to South:** 24'10.5"+37' 4.5" on the East 79' on the west, **totally measuring 5,325 Sq. feet. East by :** Property bearing Old No. 31, **West by :** Dhanvantary Road previously Ayurvedic Hospital Road, **North by :** Conservancy Lane, **South by :** Cross Road.

PROPERTY NUMBER - 6

All that piece and parcel of property bearing No. 39/40 (Old No. 1/2), Seshadri Road, Division No. 14, now bearing Municipal No.39, PID No.27-29-39 in Ward No. 27, Seshadri Road, Bengaluru -560009, along with building thereon known as Bhandar Complex measurement of the sital area, building and bounders are as follows; **Measurement of site: East to West:** On the Northern Side 68 feet, On the Southern side 93 feet, On the Southern side 14.6 feet, **North to South:** On the Eastern side 107 feet, On the Western side 106 feet, **Totally measuring : 9,902 Sq. feet. Boundaries: East by :** Premises bearing Old No. 3 New Number 42 Belonging To Sri. P C Govindaraju, **West by :** Racecourse Road (2nd Loop Road), **North by :** Premises bearing Old No. 40/2, New No. 40, belonging to Sri. P. Singhvi of Anand Plaza, **South by :** Seshadri Road and Anand Rao Circle.

PROPERTY NUMBER - 7

All the piece and parcel of property bearing of Municipal No. 321 PID NO. 47-17-321, situated at Albert Victor Road, Bengaluru measuring East to West (47'-6+49")/2 feet and North to South (89'+93'-9")/2 feet and in all measuring 4,409 Sq. feet and bounded as follows; **East by :** Property Number 322 & the wall between property number 321 & 322 is a common wall, **West by :** Property Number 320, **North by :** Property Number 34/40, **South by :** Albert Victor Road.

The above said properties are mortgaged in favour of the Bank vide Book No.-1, Document No.CMP-1-05323-2019-20, CD No. CMPD426 on 31.10.2019 and Book No.1, Document No.CMP-1-04965-2020-21, CD No.CMPD718 on 16.01.2021.

Date : 20-12-2024 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Bengaluru The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,

AXIS BANK

Retail Lending and Payment Group (Local Office/Branch):
Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore – 560 027.
Axis Bank Ltd., 3rd Floor, Gigaplex, NPC – 1, TTC Industrial Area, Mugalsan Road, Airoli, Navi Mumbai – 400 708.
Registered Office: "Trishul", 3rd Floor Opp. Samartheshwar Temple Law Garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad – 380006.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9 Sub Rule (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) (Amendment) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property is mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** on **17th Jan 2025** for recovery of **Rs.21,07,845/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Seven Thousand Eight Hundred And Forty Five Only) being the amount due as on 13.12.2022)** with future interest and costs due to the secured creditor from **Borrower 1) Anand K Hallad** S/o Kareppa Hallad, **2) Mrs. Girijavva A Hallad** D/o Uddapp Mayakka Navar, **(Co-Applicant) Both are residing at:** # 202, B-12, LIG2, Surya City, Chandapura, Surya City, Bangalore-560099, **And also at Mr. Anand K Hallad** S/o Kareppa Hallad, **Mrs. Girijavva A Hallad** D/o Uddapp Mayakka Navar, # 14, Giriyamma Building, Iggalur, Chandapura Post, Anekal Tq, Bangalore-560099, **And also at: Mr. Anand K Hallad** S/o Kareppa Hallad, Depot No.32, Suryanagar Chandapura, BMTC, Bangalore-560082, Please refer the appended auction schedule for necessary details: -

Known Encumbrances (If any)	**Not known to the secured creditor. The unpaid charges towards electricity, maintenance, Tax etc. if any, as applicable**
Reserve Price (in Rs.)	**Rs. 18,25,000/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Only)**
Earnest Money Deposit (in Rs.)	**Rs.1,82,500/- (Rupees One Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Five Hundred Only) through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis Bank Ltd.' payable at Bangalore**
Bid Incremental Amount	**Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand Only)**
Last Date, Time and Venue for Submission of Bids / Tender with EMD	**Till 16-JAN-2025 latest by 04:00 P.M. at Axis Bank Ltd,** # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore–560 027. Addressed to **Mr. Raghunath**
Date, Time, and Venue for Public Auction	**On 17-JAN-2025, between 11.00 A.M and 12.00 Noon with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available on the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above**

Details of Mortgaged Property : Schedule A Property : All the piece and parcel of immovable property/land in the layout formed by The Karnataka Housing Board at Suryanagar Project, in land bearing various Survey Number of iggaluru- Banahalli Village, Attibele hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, measuring approximately 283 acres and acquired under three Notification, Viz.., KA GRU MUM/BHOO SVAA VI 1/13/98.99 dated 14.01.1999, KA GRU MUM/BHOO SVAA VI 1/13/98:99 dated 14.01.1999 and KA GRU MUM/BHOO SVAA VI 2/90:91 Dated 10.10.1990. measuring East to West 34.75 Square meters North to South 21.75 meters and having a total area of 1026.00 Square Meters and bounded as follows : East By : Private Property, West By : Road, North By : Block No.14 LIG type-2, South By : Block No.12 LIG Type-2.
Schedule-B : The vendor having sold 1/(23 Flats+ 1 shop) i.e.., (755.81/1409.76)* 62.15= 33.32 Square meters, undivided interest in all above property to the purchasers.
Schedule-C : All those premises being a Residential Apartment/Tenement bearing No.203 on the second floor of Block No.13, LIG TYPE-2, Consisting of 23 flats and 1 shop, residential apartment in the multistoried Building/Block, constructed on the property described in schedule A hereto (Including one half portion inj depth of the joins between the ceiling of the apartment and floor of the apartment above it and internal wall and external wall between such levels.
Schedule of Tenement Referred to : The Boundary schedule of the Apartment bearing No.203/L2/B13 is bounded as follows East By : Flat No 202 L2 B13 & E.L West By : Open to Sky, North By : Flat No.204 L2 B13, South By : Open to Sky. Containing Kitchen, Hall, Bedroom 2 Nos, Bath and toilet 1 No., Approximately measuring 62.15 Square meters, Super built up area and joint undivided interest/ownership in the common space, passage, pipes drains and staircase.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail and the Bank's approved service provider M/s C1 India Private Limited at their web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com
The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s.C1 India Private Limited at their web portal **https://www.bankeauctions.com.** For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact **Mr. Raghunath at Axis Bank Ltd,** # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore-560027 **(Mobile. No. 919886960484, E-mail ID: raghunath1@axisbank.com).**
This Notice should be considered as 15 Days' Notice to the Borrowers/Co-borrowers/Guarantors under Rule 9 Sub Rule (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) (Amendment) Rules, 2002.

Date : 20.12.2024 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place: Bangalore AXIS BANK LTD.,

THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OP. BANK LTD.,

ESTD: 1907
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE: NO. 3, Pampamahakahvi Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore -18.
Office: 26678572 : 26600512: 26609066. Tele Fax: (080) 26617980

(Rule 8 (1) POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property) (Symbolically)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued and demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers/ legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The borrowers /legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers /legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule.
The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sl.No.	Name of the Loanee	Balance Outstanding	Particulars of Immovable Property & Measurement
VIJAYANAGAR BRANCH			
01	Smt. Shaheed Begum	Demand Notice Dated : 06.08.2024 Possession Notice Dated: 16.12.2024 Balance outstanding : Rs. 16,68,781/- as on : 16.12.2024	**1st Schedule Property & Measurement :-** New No.1/7, Old No. 1/6, 5th Cross, Padarayanapura, BBMP Ward No. 43 of Padaryanapura, PID No. 43-123-1/7, Bengaluru. Measuring: **East to West : 31 feet & North to South : 14 feet** East by : **Remaining portion of same property belonging to Smt. Susheelamma,** West by : **Jaleela Saheb's property,** North by :**Remaining portion of same property Measuring 14 X 42 feet,** South by : **Drainage.** **2nd Schedule Property & Measurement :-** New No. 1/8, Old No. 1/6, 5th Cross, Padarayanapura, BBMP Ward No.43 of Padarayanapura, PID No.43-123-1/8, Bengaluru. Measuring: **East to West : 10 feet & North to South : 11 feet** East by :**Road,** West by :**Sharadamma's property,** North by :**Remaining portions of same property** South by : **Drainage.**
02	Smt. Sarojamma	Demand Notice Dated : 08.08.2024 Possession Notice Dated: 16.12.2024 Balance outstanding: Rs. 10,13,039/- as on : 16.12.2024	**Property & Measurement :-** New BBMP Khatha No. 464/256/2/499/456, Sy No. 256/2 of Halagevaderahalli Grama, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Presently coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 160 of R.R. Nagar, Bengaluru. Measuring: **East to West : 30 feet & North to South : 20 feet** East by :**Road,** West by : **Property bearing No. 77,** North by : **Honnappa's Property ,** South by : **Property bearing No. 97.**
KORAMANGALA BRANCH			
03	Sri. M. Hassen Ali & Smt. Anees Zehra	Demand Notice Dated : 05.10.2024 Possession Notice Dated: 16.12.2024 Balance outstanding: Rs. 16,66,284/- as on : 16.12.2024	**Property & Measurement :-** New Municipal No. 385, Viveknagar Layout, Ward No. 71, Austin Town, PID No. 71-9-385, BMP Ward No 712, Bengaluru. Measuring: **East to West : 40 feet & North to South : 60 feet** East by :**Site No. 386,** West by :**Road,** North by : **Road,** South by :**Property No. 396**

Date: 20.12.2024 Sd/- Authorized Officer
Place: Bangalore The Bangalore City Co-operative Bank Ltd.,

THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

ESTD:1907
Administrative Offfice: # 3, PAMPAMAHAKAVI ROAD, CHAMARAJPET, BANGALORE –18.
Ph. : 26678572 : 26600512 : 26609066, Tele Fax : (080) 26617980

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED 'ACT').

At their request, Bank has extended credit facilities to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its below mentioned branches. The relevant particulars of the property on which they have created security interest by execution of security agreement/documents & creation of mortgage by way deposit of title deeds are furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facilities have become irregular, the debts have been classified as Non Performing Assets in accordance with the directives / guidelines Issued d by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrower in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice sent by register AD calling upon them, was un-served/ not acknowledged / addressee left / this publication is now Issued.

1) Name and Address of the Borrower :- Sri. V. Doraswamy S/o Sri. Siddaiah. V, No. 52, 2nd Cross Road, K.P. Agrahara magadi Road, Bengaluru-23.
All that piece and parcel of Property bearing :- **No.43/A, Situated at 5th Cross, Hosahalli, Presently coming under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 34 of R.P.C. layout & new Ward No. 124 of Hosahalli, With PID No. 34-25-43/A, Bengaluru.** Measuring :- **East to West : 26 feet & North to South : 30 feet.**
East by: **6 feet passage & Property bearing No. 73,** West by: **Road,** North by: **6 feet passage,** South by: **Sri. H.H. Hullaiah's property.**
Nature of Facility: **Long Term Loan of Rs. 35,00,000/- & 7,00,000/-** A/c No :- **LTH:- 100419 & LTL EMI:- 766** Loan issued Date :- **06.07.2018 & 02.03.2023**
Out Standing Loan Amount: - **Rs.35,82,498/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Eighty Two Thousand & Four Hundred Ninety Eight Only), As on 29.11.2024, plus future interest at the contract rate on the aforesaid amount together with incident expenses, cost, charges etc.**
Date of NPA :- 31.10.2024 Demand Notice dtd:- 29.11.2024 Branch:- VIJAYANAGAR

2) Name and Address of the Borrower :- Sri. Manjunath. M S/o Late. Muniyalappa, No. 15/1, "B" Street, 2nd Cross, Gopalapura, Magadi Road, Bengaluru-23.
All that piece and parcel of Property bearing :- **New No. 15/1, Old No. 15, formerly No. 15/1-1, situated at 2nd Cross Road, "B" street, Gopalapura, Magadi Road, Presently coming under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 25 of Rama Chandrapura, New Ward No. 121 of binnypet, With PID No. 25-64-15/1, Bengaluru.** Measuring :- **East to West : 30 feet & North to South : 20 feet.**
East by: **Property belongs to Muniyappa,** West by: **Road,** North by: **Remaining portion of property bearing No.15,** South by: **Conservancy lane.**
Nature of Facility: **Long Term Loan of Rs. 15,00,000/- & 10,00,000/-** A/c No :- **LTL:- 5680, LTL EMI :- 546** Loan issued Date :- **15.06.2019 & 27.04.2021**
Out Standing Loan Amount: - **Rs.20,11,897/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Eleven Thousand & Eight Hundred Ninety Seven Only), As on 19.11.2024, plus future interest at the contract rate on the aforesaid amount together with incident expenses, cost, charges etc.**
Date of NPA :- 25.10.2024 Demand Notice dtd:- 19.11.2024 Branch:- VIJAYANAGAR

3) Name and Address of the Borrower:- Smt. Bhagyalakshmi W/o Late. Krishnappa, No.13, Pattalamma Temple Road, Maruthinagar, Ittamadu, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru.
All that piece and parcel of Property bearing :- **New No. 59, Old No. 34/59, Krishnaiah Badavane, Ittamadu Uttarahalli Hobli, Maruthi Nagar, Pattalamma Beedhi Bengaluru South Taluk, BBMP Ward No. 55 of Padmanabhnagar, PID No. 55-537-59, Bengaluru.**
Measuring :- **East to West : 25 feet & North to South : 36 feet.** East by: **Property No.14,** West by: **Property No.12,** North by: **Property No.07,** South by: **Road.**
Nature of Facility: **Long Term Loan of Rs. 10,20,000/-** A/c No :- **LTL EMI :- 330** Loan issued Date :- **07.02.2019**
Out Standing Loan Amount: - **Rs.9,23,401/- (Rupees Nine Lakhs Twenty Three Thousand & Four Hundred One Only), As on 29.11.2024, plus future interest at the contract rate on the aforesaid amount together with incident expenses, cost, charges etc.**
Date of NPA :- 05.09.2024 Demand Notice dtd:- 29.11.2024 Branch:- VIJAYANAGAR

4) Name and Address of the Borrower :- Smt. Bhagya W/o Late. Parashuram, No. 62, 3rd Cross, Nethajianagar, Magadi Road, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-23
All that piece and parcel of Property bearing :- **Old No. 07, New No. 06, Flower Garden, 3rd Cross Road, BBMP Ward No. 29 of Cottonpet, PID No. 29-61-6, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru.** Measuring :- **East to West : 15 feet & North to South : 30 feet**

7 inmates killed in a prison riot in southern Mexico

GLOBAL WEATHER
LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	14	01	SNY	Los Angeles	23	13	SNY
Colombo	28	27	LR	Melbourne	21	18	SNY
Dhaka	28	21	LR	Moscow	1	0	LC
Dubai	27	23	SNY	New York	4	-2	SNY
Houston	17	11	SNY	Singapore	31	26	SNY
Istanbul	14	11	SNY	Toronto	1	-2	LR
London	13	11	LR	Washington	4	-2	SNY

US sees Pak missile programme as threat

WASHINGTON

ASSERTING that Pakistan developing sophisticated missile technology will give it the capability to strike targets well beyond South Asia, including in the US, a top White House official said on Thursday that the Asian country's actions are an emerging threat to the US.

Such a remark by the top White House official comes a day after the US slapped sanctions on four Pakistani entities, including the state-owned flagship aerospace and defence agency — National Development Complex (NDC) — on charges of them contributing to Pakistan's ballistic-missile programme.

The other three entities are Akhtar and Sons Private Limited, Affiliates International and Rockside Enterprise. All three are based in Karachi. Based in Islamabad, the NDC is responsible for the ballistic-missile programme. It has worked to acquire items to advance Pakistan's long-range ballistic missile programme.

"As a result, the (Joe) Biden administration has implemented a series of steps to contend with further development of long-range missile systems. Over the last year, we have issued three rounds of sanctions against non-Pakistani entities that have provided support to Pakistan's ballistic-missile programme," Principal Deputy National Security Advisor Jon Finer told a think-tank here. "And yesterday, we issued sanctions directly against Pakistan's state-owned National Development Complex, which the United States assesses is involved in the development and production of Pakistan's long-range ballistic missiles, the first time we have sanctioned a Pakistani state-owned enterprise tied to missile development," he said.

"Simply put, we are going to keep the pressure on Pakistan regarding its long-range missile programme," Finer said at Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. *PTI*

ASIA MATTERS

INCENTIVES TO COMMUTERS TO AVOID RUSH HRS

The government has come up with a scheme to encourage public transport users to change their travel times to ease peak-hour train congestion. Those who take selected express bus services instead of the train will get more rebates on their fares on weekday mornings, Straits Times reported. Eligible rail passengers from north-east region of the city state, who shift their morning commutes to avoid the most crowded period--7.15am to 8.45am—will get the new benefit. The programme is currently foccused on the city-state's northeast region

SOUTH REELS FROM HEAVY FLOODING

Parts of southern Thailand continues to reel from severe flooding caused by days of torrential northeast monsoon rainfall. Thailand's second largest island Ko Samui recorded 571 mm of rain this month, which is 375% of the month's average, the Guardian reported. Dozens have been killed in last few weeks due to flooding

US diplomats meet head of HTS group that overthrew Assad

DAMASCUS

US diplomats met with Syria's new ruler on Friday, an official told AFP, as outside powers seek assurances the country's Islamist-led authorities will be moderate and inclusive. The ouster of former president Bashar al-Assad ended decades of abuses and years of civil war, but raised concerns over minorities and women's rights, as well as the future of the Kurdish region.

The lightning offensive that toppled Assad was led by Hayat Tahrir al-Sham (HTS), rooted in Al-Qaeda's Syria branch but recently adopting a moderate stance.Its sudden arrival in the capital has left foreign governments, especially the United States, scrambling for new policies, as HTS is designated a terrorist group by some countries.

A Syrian official, speaking on condition of anonymity, later confirmed the US delegation had met with Syria's new leader, Ahmed al-Sharaa, head of HTS.

Syrians continue to celebrate the ousting of Bashar al-Assad's government, at Umayyad Square, in Damascus on Friday | AP

"And the results will be positive, God willing," the official added. A planned press conference by the US delegation was "cancelled due to security concerns". US diplomats have not been to Damascus on a formal mission since the early days of the civil war that erupted after Assad cracked down on anti-government protests in 2011.

The delegation would also meet with activists, minority groups and civil society representatives, the State Department said. The group includes Barbara Leaf, the top State Department official for the Middle East, as well as the US point man on hostages, who has been seeking clues on missing Americans including Austin Tice, a journalist who was kidnapped in Syria in August 2012. *AFP*

US govt heads to a shutdown

House rejects plan backed by Trump to fund operations and suspend debt ceiling

WASHINGTON

HOURS before the start of a federal government shutdown, President-elect Donald Trump doubled-down on Friday on his insistence that a debt ceiling increase be included in any deal and if not, let the closures "start now".

Trump, who is not yet even sworn into the White House, issued his latest demand as House Speaker Mike Johnson arrived early at the Capitol, instantly holing up with some of the most conservative Republicans in the House Freedom Caucus who helped sink Trump's bill in a spectacular Thursday evening flop. The clock is now racing toward the midnight deadline to fund government operations.

"If there is going to be a shutdown of government, let it begin now," Trump posted on social media.

Trump does not fear government shutdowns the way Johnson and the lawmakers see federal closures as political losers that harm the livelihoods of Americans. The incoming Trump administration vows to slash the federal budget and fire thousands of employees. Trump himself sparked the longest government shutdown in history in his first term at the White House, the monthlong closures over the 2018-19 Christmas holiday and New Year.

More importantly for the president-elect is his demand for pushing the thorny debt ceiling debate off the table before he returns to the White House. The federal debt limit expires January 1, and Trump doesn't want the first months of his new administration saddled with tough negotiations in Congress to lift the nation's borrowing capacity.

"Congress must get rid of, or extend out to, perhaps, 2029, the ridiculous Debt Ceiling," Trump posted increasing his demand for a now five-year debt limit increase. *AFP*

Biden, Harris cancel Christmas plans

US President Joe Biden canceled his Christmas plans in Delaware and returned to Washington late on Thursday, fuelling speculation about a potential White House "emergency". That Kamala Harris too cancelled her plans to travel to Los Angeles added to the intrigue. A White House statement did not reveal the reason for plan changes, but some analysts pointed to the looming US government shutdown

Speaker of the House Mike Johnson talks briefly to reporters just before a vote on an interim spending bill to prevent a government shutdown | AFP

EXPRESS READ

Biden cancels more student loans

Washington: The Biden administration is canceling federal student loans for another 55,000 workers through an existing programme known as Public Service Loan Forgiveness. The Education Department's announcement Friday targets teachers, nurses, service members, law enforcement officials and others who've reached eligibility through the programme, which promises to erase loans after 10 years of work in government or nonprofit jobs

Marcin Romanowskin

Hungary's govt gives asylum to Polish politico accused of graft

WARSAW

HUNGARY has given political asylum to a Polish opposition politician who is wanted on suspicions of corruption, triggering a diplomatic spat that worsened on Friday.

Poland's government decried Hungary's decision as a "hostile act," and Prime Minister Donald Tusk said that he was dismayed by Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban's decision to shelter a man being sought on suspicions of defrauding the state of millions of Zlotys.

The Polish Foreign Ministry said Friday morning that it has summoned its ambassador to Hungary back home for "indefinite consultations".

It also summoned the Hungarian ambassador in Warsaw to give him a protest note.

The matter centres on the case of a former deputy justice minister, Marcin Romanowski, but also reveals a clash over rule of law and democracy.

Tusk took office last year vowing to restore democratic norms and fight corruption that has prevailed under the national conservative government of Law and Justice.

As part of that effort, his government has been seeking to bring to justice some former government officials who allegedly broke the law during the eight-year rule of Law and Justice. Hungary on Thursday offered political asylum to Romanowski, who is wanted under a European arrest warrant. Romanowski through his lawyer argues that he is the victim of political retribution by Tusk's government.

Thousands of Jews left Israel after Oct 7 attacks

LONDON

LEAVING Israel is easier, Shira Z Carmel thinks, by saying it's just for now. But she knows better. For the Israeli-born singer and an increasing number of relatively well-off Israelis, the October 7, 2023 Hamas attack shattered any sense of safety and along with it, Israel's founding promise: to be the world's safe haven for Jews.

That day, thousands of Hamas militants blew past the country's border defenses, killed 1,200 people and dragged 250 more into Gaza in a siege that caught the Israeli army by surprise and stunned a nation that prides itself on military prowess. This time, during what became known as Israel's 9/11, the army didn't come for hours. Ten days later, a pregnant Carmel, her husband and their toddler boarded a flight to Australia, which was looking for people in her husband's profession. And they spun the explanation to friends and family as something other than permanent — "relocation" is the easier-to-swallow term — acutely aware of the familial strain and the shame that have shadowed Israelis who leave for good.

"We told them we're going to get out of the line of fire for awhile," Carmel said more than a year later from her family's new home in Melbourne.

"It wasn't a hard decision. But it was very hard to talk to them about it. It was even hard to admit it to ourselves."

Thousands of Israelis have left the country since October 7, 2023, according to government statistics and immigration tallies released by destination countries such as Canada and Germany. There's concern about whether it will drive a "brain drain" in sectors like medicine and tech. Migration experts say it's possible people leaving Israel will surpass the number of immigrants to Israel in 2024, according to Sergio DellaPergola, a statistician and professor emeritus of Hebrew University in Jerusalem. "This year people entering will be smaller than the total of the exit," he said.

For Israel's first decades of independence, the government strongly discouraged departing Israelis. A sacred trust and a social contract took root in Israeli society. The terms go like this: Israeli citizens would serve in the military and pay high taxes. In exchange, the army would keep them safe. Meanwhile, it's every Jew's obligation to stay, work and fight for Israel's survival. *AFP*

Emmanuel Macron speaks with local residents during his visit to Tsingoni, on the French Indian Ocean territory of Mayottea on Friday | AFP

Macron met with anger over cyclone response during visit to Mayotte

MIRERENI

FRENCH President Emmanuel Macron faced widespread frustration and anger from residents of Mayotte during his visit to the Indian Ocean archipelago, which is still reeling from the damage of the strongest cyclone to hit the region in nearly a century.

On Friday morning, Macron visited a neighbourhood in Tsingoni on Mayotte's main island, where people remain without access to drinking water or phone service, nearly a week after the cyclone.

As he walked through the area, some shouted: 'We want water, we want water.'

Tension was palpable on Thursday evening when Macron was met with boos from dozens of residents in Pamandzi on Petite-Terre island during the last stop of his first day in Mayotte. As people expressed frustration at the slow pace of aid efforts, Macron grabbed a microphone and said: "I have nothing to do with the cyclone, you can blame me, it wasn't me!"

Addressing the crowd, he acknowledged the hardship.

"You've been through something terrible, everyone's struggling, regardless of skin colour," he said, urging unity.

Macron got angry in turn, shouting, "You're happy to be in France ... If it wasn't France, you'd be 10,000 times more screwed!"

The French president added: "There's no place in the Indian Ocean where people get so much help!" A woman could be heard saying 'we disagree.'

Macron is known for his appetite for debate and is used to mix into crowds and confront people who are angry at him. He explained that he stayed two days in Mayotte out of "respect and consideration" for the population. *AFP*

PUBLIC NOTICE

The undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients 1). Sri. **M.Narayanaswamy S/o Late Late Munishamappa 2). Smt. Rajamma W/o M.Narayanaswamy, 3). Sri. Subramani S/o M. Narayanaswamy, 4). Smt.Ashwini W/o Subramani, 5). Sri. Manoj S/o Subramani** all are R/at, Venkatappa Layout, Kalesmma Gudibeedi, Devanahalli Town & Taluk, Bangaluru Rural Dist. We have filed petition for death certificate of 1st petitioner Father 2nd petitioner Father-in-Law, and 3rd petitioner Grand Father, 4th petitioner Grand Father-in-Law, 5th petitioner Great Grand Father, **Munishamappa S/o Late Bommanna, died on 18-05-1963.** residence at Devanahalli Town, Bangaluru Rural Dist, If any dispute, objection, regarding the same can appear before the Principal Civil Judge and J.M.F.C. at, Devanahalli and date 4/1/2025 of hearing **on at, 11 A.M. in C Mis. No. 136/2024.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli

D.N. Nagaraju / S.G. Santhosh Kumar, Advocate

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client **MRS. PUSHPAVATHY K.S.,** W/o V. Ramu, adult, residing at No. 726, Bangalore - 560 090, is the present owner of below mentioned property and She lost/misplaced the Sale Deed Doc. No. BLN-1-28361/2004-05 dtd.28-09-2004, in respect of Survey No. 198/2 situated at Chikkabanavara Village, Bangalore North Taluk. She lodged E-lost report No.1387831/2024 on 17-12-2024. If anyone found the aforesaid original document, kindly contact within 7 days from the date this publication at the address given below.

ANURAADHA. D. Advocate
No. 48, 1st Floor, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, T. Dasarahalli, Bangalore.
Mobile: 9986831930

IN THE COURT OF THE XXXIII ADDITIONAL CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT MAYOHALL, BENGALURU
C.C. 52115/2022

BETWEEN:Mr.Mohana Chary.K S/o. K.Veerappa Chary, Aged about 38 years, Residing at No.23/110, 8th Cross, HKBK College Road, Kuppaswamy Layout, Bangalore-560 045 ...Complainant
AND: Mr. Stephen Jones ...Accused

Form No.4
PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

Whereas complaint has been made before me that Mr. Stephen Jones S/o. Arthur Vijay Kumar, Major in age, RMZ Latitude, Bellary Road, Amruth Nagar, Hebbal, Bangalore-560 024, Also at:-No.22, Ground floor, 3rd Block, 5th Lane, Dasappa Layout, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore-560 015 (name, description and address) has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence punishable under section 138 of negotiable instrument act and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said sri/ Mr. Stephen Jones (name) has absconded(or is concealing himself/herself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said Mr. Stephen Jones, is required to appear at **33rd ACJM** court (place) before this court to answer the said complaint on the **31.1.25**

Dated, this 18th December day of 2024

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
XXXIII Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate Court
Bengaluru City

Address for service Bharath Prakash Advocate
No.18 A, 2nd Floor, HMS Complex, Cubbonpet Main Road, Bangalore-560 002 Ph: 9886259921

PUBLIC NOTICE

I hereby give **Notice** to all the concerned that I am the absolute owner of Residential Vacant **Site bearing No. 125,** Khata No.245, Assessment No.314, E Katha No.150200200600300253 situated at Addevishwanathapura Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, **measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 90 feet in all measuring 5400 sq.ft. bounded on** East by : Site No.124, West by : Site No.126, North by : Site No.135 and South by: Road.

Further, I have **lost / misplaced** one of the Title link document - Registered sale deed dated 9.8.1984 vide document No.2239/94-95 of Book I, Vol.483, Pages 149-152, in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Yelahanka, Bengaluru, executed by M/s. Chamundeswari Estates, Promoters & Developers in favour of Mr. Syed Abdul Khader. Now I have sold the above said Site to one **Mr. KONDA REDDY P.** son of late P. Govinda Reddy, at the time of hand over the original documents to the above said Purchaser the said documents could not found because of that I have taken steps to publish this advertisement. I have also lodged Police Complaint before the Police authorities vide Complaint No.1391555/2024 dated 20.12.2024.

All the persons are hereby informed not to deal or carry out any transaction with anyone on the basis of the said missing document. If anyone has already carried out or being carried out, kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address within 7 days from the date of this advertisement.

KUMARASWAMY D. Advocate
No.30, 2nd Floor, ASVNV Bhavan, K.G. Road, BENGLAURU 560 009.
Mob: 9844730046 Dated: 20.12.2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to General Public that Mrs. **DEEKSHA,** W/o. Dinesh Kumar has cancelled the sale Agreement executed on e-stamp paper vide Certificate No **IN-KA67222136311139V dated 12th December 2023** with our client **SRI. J. JAWARILAL** and **SMT. J. MADHU JAIN,** for two residential flats having Northern first floor residential building and Southern ground floor residential building, having undivided share measuring 518 Sq feet in aggregate. The Agreement holder has withdrawn the entire advance amount any further transaction with the cancelled Agreement holder/ withdrawer, Mrs. **DEEKSHA,** W/o. Dinesh Kumar, Will be at own risk and cost. Any objection / query / information contact **GOLDEN CHAIN LAW FIRM,** # FFD4, Sampurna Chambers, Vasvi Road, Basavanagudi, B'lore-14. 9980004061.

IN THE COURT OF THE 85th ADDL CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE (COMMERCIAL COURT) AT BANGALORE
Com. O.S.No.1313/2024

BETWEEN: Sri. Manish Y. Lathia ... PLAINTIFF
AND: Sri. Ravikumar .B and others ... **DEFENDANTS**

SUMMONS/NOTICE FOR SERVICE ON DEFENDANTS NO. 6 MENTIONED UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20 OF CPC:

M/s Pancharatna Finances Corporation, Being a registered Partnership Firm, Having its place of business at 338/1, 3rd Block, First Floor, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560010. Represented by its Partner Sri. Ravikumar B ... **DEFENDANTS**

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has filed the above suit against Defendants for dissolution of the partnership firm by name M.s Pancharatna Finances Corporation and for directions to the Defendants No. 1 and 2 to render full and fair accounts of the above named partnership firm till date and to pay over the share of the Plaintiff, and other reliefs.

Take notice that the above suit is posted for your appearance before this Hon'ble Court on **24-01-2025** at 11:00 A.M. (Commercial Court, Bangalore, (CCH.No.86). If you have any objections or defence, you are hereby required to appear before the Court either in person or through an advocate duly authorized failing which the suit will be decided on merits placing you exparte.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 09-12-2024.

By order of the court, Senior Sheristedar, Commercial Court unit, City civil Court at Bangalore.

Advocate for Plaintiff: **NAYANA TARA B.G.** No. 27, Serpentine Road, Kumara Park West, Bangalore 560020.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform all and whomsoever it may concern that our client is intending to purchase the schedule property from its present owner **Smt. Latha Shenoy** W/o M N Umesh Shenoy.

If any other person/s or any authority has/have any manner of right, title, interest, demand, claim, charge or lien over the schedule property, they are hereby requested to file their objections to this sale transaction along with the relevant documents relied for such claim/objections, through the registered post with acknowledgment due to the undersigned within **10 days** from the date of publication of this notice.

If no valid claim/objection is received by the undersigned as aforesaid, our client shall proceed to complete the sale/purchase transaction, deeming that apart from the aforesaid owner no one else has/have any manner of right or claim or interest whatsoever over the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site No.16, Khata No:1283/1551/2/2/149/16, presently bearing E-Aasthi no: 1895768842, formed in portion of Sy.No.2/2, situated at Kempapura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Presently comes under BBMP, Bangalore in Ward No.7, measuring East to West 40 feet, and North to South 30 feet, admeasuring 1200 square feet and bounded by:

East by : 20 feet wide Road
West by : House No.17
North by : 30 feet wide Road
South by : House No.15

SHRINIVASREDDY MUDAGANNAVAR, Advocate
ASM LAW PARTNERS,
Advocates & Solicitors,
No.94/1-2, 1st Floor, Infantry Road, Bengaluru-01. M: 9738031563 | 7795725122, Email: shrinivas@asmlawpartners.com

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Sd/- Commissioner, APCRDA, Vijayawada

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E Procurement Tender Notice

NIT No. 43/MAU61-ADMN0STG/5/2024-STG Dt.19/12/2024

Name of Work: APCRDA -"Request for Proposal (RfP) for engaging a strategic management consulting firm for promotion of private sector participation in economic development of the Amaravati capital city and region". The bid can be downloaded on AP e-procurement portal from **21.12.2024 to 16.01.2025 up to 14.00 Hrs.** Due date for submission of Bid is **16.01.2025 up to 15.00 Hrs,** Technical bid opening **16.01.2025 @ 16.00 Hrs.** For further details Please refer to **www.apeprocurement.gov.in and www.crda.ap.gov.in**

Sd/- Commissioner, APCRDA, Vijayawada.

Government of India
Ministry of Finance Department of Financial Services
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I, KARNATAKA
4th Floor, Telephone House, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001.

Form No. 14
[See Regulation 33(2)]
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DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 25 TO 28 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS & BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993 AND RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961. AS AMENDED
RC/179/2024 DATED : 01.07.2024

Bank of Baroda Versus **M/s. Vinayaka Minerals and Others**

In the Matter of : (CH-1)
Bank of Baroda
Singena Agrahara, APMC Admin Building, APMC F & V Market, Singena Agrahara, Hosskura Road, Bengaluru-560099.
....**Applicant Bank/Certificant Holder**

Versus

To,

(CD-1) : M/s. Vinayaka Minerals, Represented by its Proprietors,
(1) Sri Inampudi Rambabu, (2) Smt. Inampudi Suneela
Office at : Sy. No. 141/2, Doddathogur Village, Electronic City, Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru-560100.

(CD-2)
Sri Inampudi Rambabu S/o. Sri Lakshminarayana Inampudi
Flat No. G. 102, Godrej E-City Phase - I, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560100.

(CD-3)
Smt. Inampudi Suneela, W/o. Sri Karanti
Flat No. G 102, Godrej E-City Phase - I, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560100.
.... **Defendant(s)**

This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursurance of orders passed by the Presiding Officer, DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL, BANGALORE (DRT-1) in **OA/1226/2019** an amount of **Rs. 64,24,027/-** (Rupees Sixty Four Lakhs Twenty Four Thousands Twenty Seven only) along with cost expenses and future interest @ 10.35% p.a. Simple Interest Yearly w.e.f. 16.09.2019 till realization and costs of **Rs. 1,20,255/-** (Rupees One Lakh Twenty Thousands Two Hundered Fifty Five only) has become due against you (Jointly and severally/Fully/Limited).

CH Name	Int. Type/ Mode	Int. Rate	Effective Date	Order Date	RC Amount (Rs.)
Bank of Baroda	Simple Interest (Yearly)	10.35% p.a. (Plus 2% penal interest)	16.09.2019	30.06.2023	64,24,027

2. You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 and Rules there under.

3. You are hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of yours assets on or before the next date of hearing.

4. You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned on 13.08.2024 at 10.30 a.m. for further proceedings.

5. In addition to the sum aforesaid, you will also be liable to pay :

(a) Such interests as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the certificate / execution proceedings.

(b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other processes and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this date : **01.07.2024.**

(Sanjiv Kumar)
Recovery Officer I, DRT-1, Bengaluru.

Copy to : Bank of Baroda, Singena Agrahara, APMC Admin Building, APMC F & V Market, Singena Agrahara, Hosskura Road, Bengaluru-560099.

You are directed that the payment made, if any, by the Certificate Debtor(s) be credited to the consolidated account of all debts due in this case from the Certificate Debtor(s) and the Recovery Officer kept posted with the payment position regularly.

The consolidated account so maintained will be subject to the verification of the Recovery Officer. You are further directed to submit an up to date statement of the total claim in respect of the above matter and full details of property particulars wherefrom the recovery of the debt is to be made.

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Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
1176.46 ↓	Sensex	78,041.59	₹330 ↓	24 carat (10 gm)	₹76,950	₹1000 ↓	1 kg	₹90,500	↓	Dollar	84.98
364.20 ↓	Nifty	23,587.50	₹300 ↓	22 carat (10 gm)	₹70,550	₹10 ↓	10 gm	₹905	↑	Euro	88.45

Council may increase GST rate on all kinds of used cars to 18%

DIPAK MONDAL @ Jaisalmer

THE GST Council in its 55th meeting on Saturday is likely to announce changes in tax rates on several goods and services. As per sources, the fitment panel of the Council has decided to levy 18% GST on all kinds of used cars. Currently, used petrol cars up to 1200 cc and diesel cars up to 1500 ccc are taxed at 12%, those above these specifications are taxed at 18%.

The Council is likely to agree with the fitment panel's recommendation and raise GST rate to 18% uniformly to all used cars including the EVs. The sources said the GoM on insurance would submit its report to the Council on Saturday, but it is not clear if any decision on the same would be taken during the meeting in Jaisalmer. The GoM has recommended complete waiver of GST on insurance premium for health insurance with ₹5 lakh cover. The Council may give its nod to exempt gene therapy from GST. It may extend concessional 5% rate on inputs of food preparations that are supplied for free distribution to economically weaker sections under government schemes.

The Council is likely to clarify that pepper whether fresh green, or dried pepper and raisins, when supplied by an agriculturist are not liable to GST.

Sources said the Council might give its nod to insert a provision in CGST Act so as to empower the government to enforce the track and trace mechanism for specified commodities. The system is based on a Unique Identification Marking, which will be affixed on certain goods or the packages. The insertion of the provision will provide a legal framework for developing such a mechanism.

It might come up with clarification on recording of details of name of the state of the unregistered recipient as well as correct declaration of place of supply in respect of supply of 'Online Services'. In cases of supply of 'Online Services' like supply of online money gaming and other online services to unregistered recipients, the supplier needs to record name of the state of the unregistered recipient on the tax invoice.

Finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman chairs pre-Budget consultation meeting with representatives of states and UTs for Union Budget 2025-26 in Jaisalmer | EXPRESS

Track and trace system

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Concerned over fund crunch

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States ask for higher borrowing ceiling, interest-free loans

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Jaisalmer

STATES have demanded that the Union government must increase their borrowing limits to support fiscal activities. In a pre-budget meeting on Friday with Union finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman in Jaisalmer, state finance ministers demanded an increased allocation of 50-year interest-free loans to states for their capital expenditure needs.

The meeting took place on Friday in Jaisalmer, where the 55th GST Council meeting will be held. During the meeting several states have expressed concern over lack of fund for running the states due to existing borrowing limits of 3% of gross state domestic product (GSDP).

The states have also asked for more flexibility in the assistance given to states by the Centre for their capex needs. A part of this assistance is either linked to a set of reforms or are for sector specific projects.

Some states have asked the central government to bear a larger share of land acquisition costs for projects. States have also highlighted the need for state-specific road development projects and railway projects.

Some of the representatives of the states have also emphasized the need for additional funding for disaster relief. They requested more allocation for the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF). Punjab and Kerala sought special financial packages.

Mkts see worst week in 30 months

Sell-off triggered by Fed's cautious stance on rate cuts, investors lose over ₹18L cr this week

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

EXPECTATIONS of a festive rally on Dalal Street have been dashed, as the US Federal Reserve's hawkish commentary on future rate cuts has spooked markets. India's equity benchmark indices – the BSE Sensex and NSE Nifty – recorded their steepest weekly declines in over two years, plummeting nearly 5% each.

This week's crash erased almost all the recovery seen between November 21 and December 13, following two months of relentless selling. The Nifty fell by 4.5% (1,150 points) over the week, while the Sensex dropped 4.8% (3,933 points). On Friday, the Sensex closed 1,176.46 points (1.49%) lower at 78,041.59, and the Nifty fell 364.2 points (1.52%) to 23,587.50.

Investors bore massive losses, with the market capitalisation of BSE-listed firms shrinking by ₹18 lakh crore this week, falling from ₹460 lakh crore to ₹442 lakh crore. On Friday alone, ₹9 lakh crore was wiped out.

The sell-off was triggered by the Fed's cautious stance on rate cuts, now projecting just two rate cuts in 2025 instead of the earlier estimate of four. This shift in policy has impacted global equity and bond markets, with rising US bond yields weighing heavily on global currencies, including the Indian rupee. Additionally, the spike in yields has led to increased selling by foreign institutional investors (FIIs), adding further pressure on domestic equities.

"Nervousness continued to grip investors and stocks across-the-board went into a tailspin as the dollar's continuing strength against the rupee has been prompting foreign investors to flee local equities and take shelter in safe haven dollar assets," said Prashanth Tapse, Senior VP (Research), Mehta Equities.

Tapse added that investors are also apprehensive about Trump's trade policies when he takes charge in mid-January next year, as his aggressive policies could further roil the global market. FIIs have reversed their buying spree from earlier this month, selling (net) about ₹16,000 crore worth of Indian equities over the past five sessions.

"The strong US dollar and robust US economy are diverting funds away from emerging markets like India. With the 10-year US yield at 4.52 percent and sluggish earnings growth in India, FIIs currently lack compelling reasons to invest here," said VK Vijayakumar, Chief Investment Strategist at Geojit Financial Services. He added that FIIs may return once the dollar stabilises, but near-term flows remain under pressure.

Besides the chances of fewer rate cuts, concerns related to India's macroeconomic health have added to the pressure. The country's trade deficit widened to an all-time high in November and the second quarter GDP came to the lowest in nearly two years.

Mamata Machinery IPO booked 38 times

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE public issue of packaging machinery manufacturer Mamata Machinery Ltd garnered 37.75 times subscriptions on Friday, the second day of bidding. The portion for retail individual investors (RIIs) fetched 51.03 times subscriptions while the category for non-institutional investors garnered 50.23 subscriptions. Qualified institutional buyers (QIBs) part received 4.74 times subscription.

The ₹179 crore IPO is open for public subscription till December 23 in the price range of ₹230-243 per share. Mamata Machinery on Wednesday said it has raised over ₹53 crore from anchor investors. The Gujarat-based company's initial share sale is entirely an Offer For Sale (OFS) of 73.82 lakh equity shares by promoters worth ₹179.38 crore at the upper end of the price band.

SHIFTING LIFESTYLES: SIMPLI NAMDHARI'S EYES EXPANSION

HRITHIK KIRAN BAGADE @ Bengaluru

ENTHUSED by the growing trend of health-conscious consumers increasingly being aware about what they eat and from where it is sourced, Simpli Namdhari's is aiming to tap this opportunity, and is strengthening its omni-channel presence by enhancing its e-commerce platform and launching new stores.

Currently, the company operates over 25 stores across Bengaluru and Hyderabad, and plans to add 8-10 stores in the next 12 months, with more Simpli formats in the pipeline. "Initially, $20-30 million is the amount that will help us look beyond the South, at least in the first phase... We feel slightly larger stores would give a better experience and help us stock wider assortments," informed Simpli Namdhari's Marketing Head Hema L. As part of its roadmap, Simpli Namdhari's is looking at strategic partnerships, in the form of either established industry players or financial partners.

Simpli Namdhari's is India's only 100% vegetarian omni-channel retailer, offering a plethora of residue-free, premium vegetarian options to customers. "This niche market aligns with shifting consumer preferences toward plant-based lifestyles. Our positioning allows us to build trust and loyalty while tapping into expanding opportunities in health-focused FMCG products, dairy and fresh produce. This space holds immense potential for innovation and differentiation," Hema told TNIE.

With farming at the core of Simpli Namdhari's, its differentiator resides in an integrated seed-to-plate model, alongside premium customer experiences across online and offline channels. Additionally, on the tech front, it is leveraging AI assistants at its stores to provide detailed product insights, helping customers make informed decisions.

The company recently launched a 'Vocal for Local' initiative, which offers grassroots FMCG brands shelf space at zero listing fees, allowing them to showcase their offerings to a broader audience. "The initiative reflects our commitment to sustainability, local sourcing and supporting entrepreneurial ecosystems in India," Hema said, adding that the idea is to collaborate with small-scale brands offering artisanal, or niche vegetarian products, including snacks, ready-to-eat and beverages. "We actively scout such brands while welcoming them to approach us directly. Selected brands undergo a rigorous quality check to ensure alignment with Simpli Namdhari's values of purity and excellence," she mentioned.

"Vocal for Local will initially focus on markets across Bengaluru and Karnataka. In the next phase, we aim to collaborate with bootstrapped, innovative local brands from other states, gradually expanding to cities like Hyderabad, Chennai, and Pune," Hema said.

India's organised grocery market is projected to reach ~$1.1 trillion by 2030, with significant growth driven by increasing online penetration and expansion of modern retail chains. Simpli Namdhari's has consistently achieved double-digit growth. Last year, the retail segment clocked annual turnover of Rs 150 crore, while this year, it expects to maintain its double-digit trajectory, buoyed by a wider product range, stronger omni-channel presence, and more stores.

Shriram Fin launches green finance vertical

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

WITH increasing demand for electric vehicles and renewable energy products, Shriram Finance, the flagship company of the Shriram Group, on Friday announced the launch of a separate vertical Shriram Green Finance, which will finance a range of sustainable solutions.

This will expand the scope of funding opportunities and we are targeting an Asset Under Management (AUM) of Rs 5,000 crore for this vertical over the next three to four years, senior executives of the company said at a press conference in Bengaluru.

Apart from financing EVs, the portfolio also includes financing battery charging stations, renewable energy products and solutions, energy efficient machinery, among others. Umesh Revankar, Executive Vice Chairman of Shriram Finance said it has the potential to play a significant role in green financing, as it is growing in recent years.

Also, Shriram Green Finance will raise global and domestic funds that are focused on green investments, going forward.

Revankar also pointed out that electric two-wheeler adoption in the country is rising, especially among youngsters.

From the present 5% share of EVs in two-wheeler sales, it will touch 30% over the next three to five years. Currently, the interest rate for EVs is between 14% and 21%.

Forex reserves decline for second month

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

THE foreign exchange reserves continued the downward trajectory for the second month. Forex reserves lost nearly $2 billion to an six-month low of $652.87 billion in the reporting week ending December 13 as the Reserve Bank continued to sell dollars to defend the rupee, which was on a losing streak since October and had hit then lowest of closing below 84.75.

According to the weekly statistical supplement released by the central bank Friday, the forex reserves dropped by $ 1.988 billion to $652.869 billion for the week to December 13. Meanwhile, the rupee weakened to its record low on Friday morning trade hitting 85.10 down 3 paise from previous close but recorded to close flat helped by likely early intervention by the central bank. Traders said state run banks were active in the market through the day on behalf of the RBi. The market mayhem— both the indices bled more than 1.5 percentage points to close at the worst closing weeks in two years.

Aligning inflation to RBI's 4% target key to ensuring growth: MPC minutes

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

THE members of the Reserve Bank rate-setting panel in the minutes of its December meeting released on Friday said high prices are the cause for demand slowdown, and aligning inflation to the central bank's 4% target is the key to ensuring sustained economic growth.

"The monetary policy stance is open to support growth, but it must await the ebbing of inflation on a durable basis or else the uneven progress made so far in disinflation will get dissipated," deputy governor Michael Patra wrote. Inflation is likely to remain contained as disinflationary effect of past monetary policy actions continues to play out. Headline inflation is expected to ease to 4.5% in Q4 and further to 4% by Q1 of next fiscal, said ex-RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das.

External member Saugata Bhattacharya said both growth and inflation have worsened, and the risk of making a "policy error" was higher now compared to the October policy.

"The policy priority at this juncture has to be on restoring inflation growth balance," Das underlined in his last monetary policy committee meeting.

Lower inflation to enhance disposable income

Lower inflation will enhance disposable income and increase purchasing power, and this would support consumption and investment demand, Das said. Nagesh kumar called for a 25 basis points reduction in policy, saying "I believe a rate cut would help in reviving economic growth without worsening the inflationary situation."

Lower inflation will enhance households' disposable income and increase their purchasing power, and this approach would support consumption and investment demand, Das added.

Nagesh kumar called for a 25 basis points reduction in policy, saying "I believe a rate cut would help in reviving economic growth without worsening the inflationary situation, which may soften with seasonal correction in prices."

Kumar said the limited impact monetary policy has on food inflation alongside the sharp slowdown in growth as reasons to shift policy gears.

Drafting of DPDP Act rules nearly complete

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

DRAFTING of the rules for the Digital Personal Data Protection Act (DPDP Act), 2023, is in its final stage, said Minister of state Electronics and Information Technology, Jitin Prasada on Friday. Prasada, in response to a question in the Rajya Sabha, also said that further consultations on the DPDP Rules will take place after the publication of the Draft Rules.

"Drafting of the Rules is in the final stage. Further consultation on the Rules will be done after publication of the Draft Rules. The provisions of DPDP Act are in addition to and not in derogation of any other law for the time being in force," he said. The Act, received the President's assent on August 11, 2023, has yet to see release of its detailed regulations. The Act prohibits any entity, public or private, from using an individual's data without explicit consent, emphasising the importance of safeguarding personal information. It contains provisions allowing data usage in contexts like national security and judicial processes.

6,700 employees leave unicorns between August 2023-24, attrition rate 4.5%

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

OVER 6,700 employees left unicorn start-ups between August 2023 to August 2024, and on average, unicorns had an attrition rate of 4.5% during the period, an analysis by market intelligence platform PrivateCircle Research found.

As many as 116 unicorns (including newer additions such as Moneyview, Ather and Rapido) in the country employed 4,10,829 people in August 2024 as compared to 4,17,561 employees recorded in the same month previous year. The analysis includes employees of whom provident fund contributions were done.

However, unicorns continue to be large employers in the country. Murali Loganathan, Director of Research at PrivateCircle said, "We find that the compounded revenue growth among most unicorns has been in high double digits over a two-year period and yet these unicorns have maintained stable employee numbers."

"This signals efficient usage of human capital even during periods of high growth. The monthly net change in unicorn workforce has stayed between -0.9% and 2.5% during the selected time period," he added.

Across all major startup hubs, Delhi NCR saw the maximum additions in the total number of employees between August 2023 and August 2024. It hired 18,554 employees and some of the mass recruiters from Delhi-NCR included PolicyBazaar, Blinkit, and Zomato.

The second-highest employee additions were recorded in Chennai-based unicorns (4,785). Bengaluru-based unicorns during the period recruited only 2,384 employees.

Mumbai unicorns saw a net decrease of 7,024 employees from the cumulative workforce. Pune (-643) and Hyderabad (-66) have recorded a fall in their overall workforce numbers, as per the platform's research.

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank (A Government of India Undertaking)

Regional Office West
Chitrapur Bhavan, 8th Main, 15th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560055.

(Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property)

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable / movable Property under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical (Strike whichever is not applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Regional Office West, Bengaluru,** of the **Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is"** on **08.01.2025 , 11.00 AM to 12.30 PM,** for recovery of below mentioned amount.

E-AUCTION DATE:08.01.2025

Borrower(s): (1) Smt. Ramalakshmi S W/o Srinivas T #14, 2 Cross, Hanumanthappa Colony Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru-560020 **(2) Sri. Srinivasa T** #14, 2nd Cross, Hanumanthappa Colony Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru-560020.
Total liabilities **Rs. 2,85,273.80** (Rupees Two Lakhs Eighty Five Thousand Two hundred and Seventy Three Rupees and eighty paise only) as on 19.12.2024 with further interest/charges from **20.12.2024.**
Reserve Price: The reserve price is Rs.6.79 Lakh, The EMD amount is Rs.0.68 Lakh. Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before: **06.01.2025 up to 4.00 PM.**
Description of the immovable/ movable assets: All that piece and parcel of the Residential Flat B30-304, Third Floor of Block No-B27 formed out of Sy No-113 having Super built up area of 360.87 Sqft situated at Alur, Off Huskur Main Road, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore 562123, bounded on the East by: Block. No-30-303 West by : Flat No-B30-305 North by : Flat No-B30-301, South by : Passage.

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank. For further details contact Divisional Manager, Canara Bank, Regional Office West, e-mail id roblrwrec@canarabank.com , cb0882@canarabank.com Mob No.7022192698/ 7411509379/ 9483520882), OR the service provider https://baanknet.com (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd) Bangalore (Contact No. 7046612345/6354910172) E-mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com/ support.baanknet@procure247.com. during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bengaluru Date : 20.12.2024 — Sd/- Authorised Officer Canara Bank

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ಕನೀನಿನಿ, ಮಬದಕಾನಿ ವಿಭಾಗ ನಂ. 4, ನವಲಗುಂದ.
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ಇ-ಮೇಲ್: knnl.mrbcc4@gmail.com

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಕನೀನಿನಿ/ಮಬದವಿ-4/ಪಿ.ಬಿ/ಎಇ/2024-25/998 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18-12-2024

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Name of Work: Flood Control and Flood Management for Bennihalla up to confluence of Malaprabha river-Phase 1

Format of Sealed Quotation

Sl. No.	Item Description	Unit	Minimum Quantity to be executed in meter	Rate per meter (Rs.)
1	2	3	4	5
1	Bored cast-in-situ R.C.C. Pile of 600 mm diameter with OPC design mix M35 confirming to Is9103 - 1999 Reaffirmed-2008, excluding Reinforcement complete as per Drawing and Technical Specifications and removal of excavated earth with all lifts and lead up to 1000 m including costs of all materials, labour, HOM form works, scaffolding & centring complete as per specifications. MORTH Specification No.1100 & 1700	meter	7500.00	
2	Bored cast-in-situ R.C.C. Pile of 400 mm diameter with OPC design mix M35 confirming to Is9103 - 1999 Reaffirmed-2008, excluding Reinforcement complete as per Drawing and Technical Specifications and removal of excavated earth with all lifts and lead up to 1000 m including costs of all materials, labour, HOM form works, scaffolding & centring complete as per specifications. MORTH Specification No.1100 & 1700	meter	250.00	

Note: G.S.T shall be mentioned separately.
ದರವನ್ನು ನಮೂದಿಸಿದ ಲಕೋಟೆಯನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: **24-12-2024** ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ **5.30** ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಕನೀನಿನಿ, ಮಬದಕಾನಿ ವಿಭಾಗ ನಂ:4, ನವಲಗುಂದ ಕಚೇರಿಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಸಹಾಯಕರ ಮೊಬೈಲ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: **9663137692** ಹಾಗೂ ಇ-ಮೇಲ್: **knnl.mrbcc4@gmail.com** ಅಥವಾ ಈ ಮೇಲಿನ ಕಚೇರಿಗೆ ಖುದ್ದಾಗಿ ಕಚೇರಿಯ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು
ಮಾಸಾಸಂ/ವಾ/ಧಾರವಾಡ/759/ಅಡ್ವರ್ಟ್/2024-25 ಕನೀನಿನಿ, ಮಬದಕಾನಿ ವಿಭಾಗ ನಂ.4 ನವಲಗುಂದ.

Government Of Karnataka
Executive Engineer. PRE Division, Vijayanagar, 28th ward,3rd Corss M G Nagar, Hosapete

No:EE/P.R.E/D/PB/Tender/PB/Dif heads/2024-25/1855. Dated:11.12.2024

Short term tender Notification.
(Through Government of Karnataka e-procurement)

Karnataka state's behalf of Governor Executive Engineer P.R.E.Divn Vijayanagara, Hosapete district has invited the Road and Building civil Min Rs.5.00Lakhs to Max Rs.350.00lakhs works. Invites Short -term tenders (TN:1855, Dt:11.12.2024) as per KTPP-2000 act through e-procurement for the works/ Goods category tenders in Vijayanagara Division under Different heads from the eligible agencies. According to the Standard Bid Document KW rules and regulations (As per updating in the KPPP) based on turn-key.

Last Date for receipt of tenders: Annexure-I : 23.12.2024 & Annexure-II : 31.12.2024

(Auto Extension Specialty up to 4 Days after last date of tender) Corrigendum's / modifications / correction, if any, will be published in the website only & for more information contact to https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in website and this office (email ID: eepredvijayanagara@gmail.com)

Sd/- EE.PRE.Divn Vijayanagara, Hosapete.
DIPR/Vijayanagar/2024-25/KSMCA/RO No/421

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture, East Zone, 17th Floor, Mayohall Building, M.G. Road, Bangalore.

No. SADH/TENDER/14/2024-25 Date: 20.12.2024

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

Two Cover System (Only through GoK KPP Portal)

The Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture, East Zone, BBMP, Bengaluru on behalf the Commissioner, BBMP invites tenders from eligible contractors registered in BBMP or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railways / MES / National Highway or any State Govt. Organisations for the following works.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Amount put to tender (in Rs.)	EMD Amount (in Rs.)
1	Supply of water through tankers for Parks, Medians and Circles in Shivajinagar Assembly Constituency in East Zone.	14,10,259.20	35,256/-
2	Supply of water through tankers for Parks, Medians and Circles in Shanthinagar Assembly Constituency in East Zone.	9,40,172/-	23,504/-

Stipulated period of completion : **7 days**
Calendar of Events: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 23.12.2024. (2)** Date of Pre-bid meeting : **26.12.2024 at 11.30 am. (3)** Last date & time for receipt of tenders : **03.01.2025 upto 4.30 pm. (4)** Date of opening of technical bid : **06.01.2025 at 4.30 pm. (5)** Date of opening of financial bid: **After approval of technical bid.** Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours or from KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture, East Zone

CORRIGENDUM

Corrigendum to the advertisement published on 20th December 2024 in The New Indian Express on behalf of my Client Sri. Joshua S P Amirtharaj regarding loss of the Original Gift deed dated 22.02.2003. wherein, the word Joshua has been mis-spelt as Joshwa. The name may be read as **Sri. Joshua S P Amirtharaj**. All other terms and condition mentioned in the above public notice remains unchanged.

V MOHAN, ADVOCATE
No.229, UAS Layout, Basaveswara Nagar, Shivanahalli Village, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-64. Mob: 9448542407. e-mail: smslegal333@gmail.com

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ROOPA B A,** W/o Raghavendra, residing at No,384 3rd Cross SKMR Layout, Bilishivale, Dr Shivaramkaranth Nagar, Bangalore-560077, have changed my name from **ROOPA** (old name) to **ROOPA B A,** (new name) vide affidavit dated-20-12-2024 before Notary, Sivakumara.M.N, Bangalore.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The GENERAL PUBLIC are hereby informed that my Client **Sri.H.K SUDHINDRA** S/o.Keshavamurthy. Residing at No:18, 2nd Cross, Devinagar, C.P.Nagar, Lottegollahalli, R.M.V.Ext, BANGALORE 560094 has lost the original Sale Deed vide Document No:4294/ 1972-73 dated 18.01.1973 executed by **K.V.JAYALAKSHMAMMA** represented by G.P.A. Holder **K.VENKATARAMASASTRY** in favour of **Sri.K.A.Shankar** pertaining to the below mentioned **SCHEDULE PROPERTY**. The said document is not in the possession of my client and the same has been intimated to the Jurisdictional Police. Whoever is in possession of the same is hereby requested to hand over it to the below mentioned address. If anyone deals with such persons on the **SCHEDULE PROPERTY** shall be doing so at his/her own risk and consequences and the same shall not be binding on my Client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that the piece and parcel of the property bearing No.18, Katha No. 149/10/11/B. New Kahta No.777/149/10/11/B/18, 2nd Cross, Devinagar New Extension, Lottegollahalli, Ward No.8. BBMP formerly No.18, formed out of conversion Sy.No. 10/11B, situated at Lottegollahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk Bangalore, measuring East to West:30-0 feet and North to South: 45-0 feet. In all total 1350 square feet. And bounded on:

East By : Site No.19.
West By : Site No.17
North By : Road
South By : Site No.11

Sri.B.B.SUDHIR, Advocate
No:334, 09th Main, 14th Cross, Indiranagar, BANGALORE-560038
Mob:98450 22593

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Sri.Ranganath** S/o Late. Lakshmanappa having negotiated to purchase the Schedule Property, have entered into an Agreement of Sale, with its owner, Viz., CS Ramamani D/o Late. C.V.Srinivas Rao, who has represented herself to be the absolute owner in possession of the Schedule Property and further stated that there are no claims, proceedings, Acquisitions, Court Litigations or other encumbrance on the Schedule Property.

Any Person/s having any right, interest or other claims on the Schedule Property or otherwise objecting to the proposed and further transaction/s may do so in writing with documentary proof to the undersigned **within 14 days** of this Notice failing which, my clients will proceed with the transaction; where after, no further claims will be entertained and/or the same will be deemed to have waived.

SCHEDULE

Residential property bearing no 635 Situated at 16th cross,29th C main,near frank school, J.Pnagar, 6th phase Bangalore-560078, Measuring east to west 30 feet and north to south 20 feet admeasuring 600 square feet and bounded on:

East by : Site no 638,
West by : Road,
North by : Site no 634,
South by : Site no 636

AKSHAYA. P.R, Advocate
Prabath complex, No 317, I Floor, KG Road Bangalore-560 009. Mobile: 9964734461, Date:21-12-2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby informed that, my client entered into Agreement of Sale of the schedule property from its owners: **1. Mr. Gagan K. Kapoor,** aged about 44 years, S/o. Mr. Kanti Kapur, **2. Mrs. Monaz Kapur,** aged about 41 years, W/o. Mr. Gagan K. Kapoor, both are residing at No.44, 11th Cross, Pampa Layout Extn, Hebbal, Bengaluru-560 024.

Any person having any right, title, or interest in the Schedule property must notify the undersigned with documentary proof thereof ***WITHIN 15 DAYS*** of this publication, failing which it shall be deemed that the schedule property is not encumbered and my client shall proceed with the transaction.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing **Site No.18 (Southern portion),** having **BBMP khata No.323/18, E-Swathu EPID No.6643618449, Property PID No.269-323-18,** situated at **Ranna Road, Pampa Layout Extn, Hebbal, Kempapura, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560 024,** measuring **East** to **West 35 feet** and **North** to **South 53.10 + 47.5/2 feet, totally measuring 1,760 Sq.ft, (out of 3,195 Sq.ft)** consisting of one bore-well and one sump thereon and bounded on:

East by: Property No.17,
West by: Road,
North by: Northern Portion of the same Site No.18
South by: Road.

Sd/-
Nagamanju K.S, Advocate,
#39, 'Sri Sai Nilaya', 2nd Main Road, F.F. Layout, Near Mount Senoria School, Laggere, Bangalore-560 058.
Mobile :9986829368 / 9986336895
Place: Bengaluru Date: 20.12.2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client **D.N. HARICHARAN,** No.134/25, 2nd A Main, 2nd Block, Rajajinagar, BANGALORE – 560 010, intends to purchase below mentioned Schedule Property from ITS PRESENT OWNER **Dr. K. CHANDRA SHEKAR,** Flat No.14043, Prestige Royale Garden Apartments, Doddaballapura Main Road, Avalahalli, Yelahanka, BENGALURU-560064.

If any person/s, Institution, Bank, Firm, etc., have got any objections for proposed purchase or having any right, claim, share, title and interest in the Schedule Property they may lodge their objections/claims with the undersigned or directly, along with supporting documents within **10 days** from this publication and if any objections/claims received thereafter will not be binding on or entertained by my Client and my Client will proceed to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property as if, there are no claims/objections.

"SCHEDULE PROPERTY"

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY, consisting of land and building, bearing **New Municipal No.53, Old No.1206,** situated at **18th MAIN 'A' MAIN ROAD, 5TH BLOCK, RAJAJINAGAR, BENGALURU,** now having BBMP PID No.22-121-53, of Shivanagar Ward No.107 (Old Ward No.22) and the land area of the same is measuring East to West : **(64+58)2 feet,** and North to South : **30 feet,** in all measuring **1830 square feet,** and is consisting of residential building, and the entire property is bounded on as under :

EAST BY : Road
WEST BY : Conservancy Lane
NORTH BY : Property No.1205
SOUTH BY : Property No.1207

M.H.SOMANATH, Advocate,
No.122, First Floor, Mahesh Market, Balepet, Bangalore – 560 053.
Ph : 9845066737 / 080-42150060

RANI CHANNAMMA UNIVERSITY

(NAAC Accredited with B+ Grade - 2021)
Office of the Registrar, Vidyasangama, National Highway - 04, Bhootaramanahatti, Belagavi - 591156
Phone No: 0831-2565242, E-mail: rcubuilding2016@gmail.com

No: RCUB/R.O/2024-25/4732 Date: 20-12-2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION (through e-Procurement)

E-Procurement tender has been invited for Procuring Supply, Installation, Upgradation and Commissioning of **IT Infrastructure to Main Campus, PG Centre, Vijayapura and SRFGC College of Rani Channamma University** on 20-12-2024 from the eligible bidders. Estimated Amount of the Tender is **Rs. 95.00 Lakhs** and E.M.D Amount of **Rs. 1,42,500/-.** Eligible bidders may submit application **before 04-01-2025** through Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Portal. Additional information can be downloaded from the Website: **www.rcub.ac.in or from the Estate Office of the University.**

Sd/- Registrar
DIPR/Belagavi/1340/ Adverto/2024-25 **Rani Channamma University, Belagavi**

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General public are hereby notified that, my clients **SRI.CHANDAN.N (CHANDAN NAGARAJ) and SMT.KUSUMA.N** the children of late Sri.S.Nagaraj and late Smt.R.Vijayalaxmi, residing in the Schedule Property, are the absolute owners of the Schedule Property. My clients have lost/misplaced the original Allotment letter dated 04/02/1976 bearing No.B8/SRK I/197/1975-76 issued by Bengaluru Development Authority (BDA) to one Sri.M.Anju S/o Sri.J.M.Mari the original allottee of the Schedule Property and to that effect my clients have lodged a complaint with Bengaluru City Police vide Lost Report No.1391319/2024 on 19/12/2024. If anybody holds or otherwise finds the said original Allotment letter, is hereby requested to hand over the same to the undersigned within **14 (Fourteen) days** from today and he/she will be rewarded appropriately.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing **Municipal No.197 (BDA Site No.197),** E.P.I.D.No.9134803837, PID No.57-40-197, measuring East to West 9.14 Mtrs and North to South 12.19 Mtrs, in all measuring 111.416 Sq.Mtrs, with a building thereon, situated at **10th 'A" Cross, J.P.Nagar 1st Phase (Sarakki 1st Phase),** Bengaluru, within the administrative jurisdiction of BBMP-178 and bounded as follows:

East by : Property bearing No.196
West by : Property bearing No.198
North by : Road
South by : Property bearing No.202

Sd/- BAYYA REDDY. M
For ISHA LAW CHAMBERS LLP
Advocates & Solicitors
No.101, 2 nd Floor, Sri Manjunatha Complex, BSK 2 nd Stage, Opp :Banashankari BDA Complex,Bengaluru-560070.

IN THE COURT OF THE XV ADDL CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, AT BENGALURU
C.MISC. NO. 9379 / 2024

BETWEEN:
1. TABITA BARDHAN, D/o Jagat Bardan, Aged about 21 years, **2. JAGAT BARDDAN,** S/o Gabriel Bardan, Aged about 59 years, **3. NAMITA BARDDAN,** W/o Jagat Bardan, Aged about 54 years, **4. LALITA BARDDAN,** D/o Jagat Bardan, Aged albout 30 years, **5. RAJAT BARDDAN,** S/o Jagat Barddan, Aged about 25 years, All are residing at P.Sailang, Chheligada, R. Udayagiri, Gajapati, Odisha-761 016. **...PETITIONERS**

AND

The Commissioner Registrar of Births & Deaths BBMP, Bengaluru. **...RESPONDENT**

PAPER PUBLICATION / PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the petitioners named have filed the above petition seeking direction to the BBMP Registrar of Birth and Death, at Bengaluru, to Register the date of death of the Petitioner No. 1 and 4 are Sisters of the Deceased and Petitioner No.2 and 3 are parents of the deceased and Petitioner No.5 is brother of the deceased, by named as **SUSAJITA BARDDAN, D/o JAGAT BARDDAN, as she was died on 16.02.2023, at Sri. Sai Clinic, Bommanahalli, Bengaluru.**

If any person interested and having any objection in this matter, may appear before the XV ACJM Court, at Bengaluru, **at 11.00 a.m. on 08.02.2025** to which date the case is posted for hearing.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court this 06th day of December 2024.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
XV Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrave Court, Bengaluru City

Advocate for Petitioner:
Lakshmikanth. K, Advocate

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS
(Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction - Intellectual Property Division)
(T) CMA (TM) No.12 OF 2024

M/s.Goldmedal electrical Pvt. ltd, A-302, Kemp plaza, Mind space, Chincholi bunder, Off.link road, Malad West, Mumbai-400064. **...Petitioner**

Vs.

Mr. Sh.S.Lal Singh, Sole proprietor, M/s Public Electricals, 4, Beegum Gulli, AM Lane Cross, Chickpet, Bangalore-560 053. **...Respondent No.1**

The Registrar of Trade Marks, Intellectual Property Rights Building, Industrial Estate, SIDCO RMD, Godown Area, G.S.T.Road, Guindy, CHENNAI-600 032. **...Respondent No.2**

To, Mr.Sh.S.Lal Singh, Sole proprietor, M/s Public Electricals, 4,Beegum Gulli, AM Lane Cross, Chickpet, Bangalore-560 053. **...Respondent No.1**

Take notice that the above application has been filed for substituted petition in this pending suit for registration of trademark: When the above application came up for hearing before the Hon'ble Court on 27.11.2024 for service of notice in the above application, His Honor was pleased order notice to you through paper publication returnable on 09.01.2025.

Be present in the above said court **on 09.01.2025 at 10.30** am before the Hon'ble Court, failing in this matter will be decided in your absence.

Dated at this 20th day of December 2024
Counsel for the Petitioner

IN THE COURT OF THE XXIII ADDL. CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
Crl. Misc. No. 7973/2024

BETWEEN: 1) Sri. K.P. Basavaraj S/o KM Puttacharya, Aged about 63 years, R/at No.2A, 1st Floor, Sri Gurukurpa, 8th Cross, BHEL Layout, Chikkabettahalli, Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru-560097.
2) Venkatesh, S/o K M Puttacharya, Aged about 65 years R/at No.56, Nagappa Building, Macca Masjid Road, Annayappa Layout, Devasandra, KR Puram, Bengaluru-560036. **...Petitioners**

AND : The Commissioner Registrar of Birth and Deaths B.B.M.P., Bengaluru. **...Respondent**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioners named above have filed the above petition seeking direction to the BBMP Registrar of Birth and Death, at Bengaluru, to Register the date of death of the Mother of the Petitioner No. 1 and 2, the deceased herein named as V. YASHODAMMA, W/o Late K M. PUTTACHARYA as she was died on 02.01.2018 at No. B8 Janajeevan Orchid Apartment, Hallehalli, Kithaganur Road, Bengaluru-560036.

Any person interested and having any objection in this matter, may appear before the XXIII Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Court at Bengaluru, **at 11:00 AM on 03.01.2025** to which date the case is posted for hearing.

Given under my hand and seal the court this 2nd day of December 2024.

By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, XXIII Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate Court, Bengaluru City.
Advocate for Petitioner :

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank (A Government of India Undertaking)

Regional Office West
Chitrapur Bhavan, 8th Main, 15th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560055.

(Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property)

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable / movable Property under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical (Strike whichever is not applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Regional Office West, Bangalore** of the **Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is"** on **07.01.2025 at 11.00 AM to 12.30 PM** for recovery of below mentioned amount.

E-AUCTION DATE: 07.01.2025

Borrower(s): 1) M/s Myrismed Hygiene Products, 2) Mrs. Anuradha M, Both are residing at: #31/2, 6th Main, Malleshwaram Bengaluru-560003.
Total liabilities **Rs. 44,37,670.03** (Rupees Forty Four Lakhs Thirty Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Rupees and Three Paise Only) as on **18.12.2024** and interest and other charges there on from **19.12.2024.**
Reserve Price: Rs.35.62 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 3.56 Lakhs. Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before: **04.01.2025 up to 4.00 PM.**
Description of the immovable/ movable assets: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Flat No- S-131201, 1 BHK, 12TH Floor, S-13 Tower, "SMONDVILLE" having Super built up Area of 635 Sqft at Khata No- 399/155/8, Sy No- 155/8, Neo Town, Hulimangala Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Tq, Bangalore 560100.

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in **Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com)** or may contact Authorised officer, Regional office West, **Canara Bank, Contact No. 7022192698/7411509379/9616954725 E-mail: cb2638@canarabank.com or roblrwrec@canarabank.com** may contact the service provider through website **https://baanknet.com (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd) Bangalore (Contact No. 7046612345/6354910172) E-mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com/ support.baanknet@procure247.com during office hours on any working day.**

Place: Bengaluru Date : 20.12.2024 — Sd/- Authorised Officer Canara Bank

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AXIS BANK
Plot No. 41, Seshadri Road, Anand Rao Circle, Bangalore-560009

POSSESSION NOTICE APPENDIX-IV (RULE 8 (1))

WHEREAS: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **AXIS BANK LTD,** Under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act , 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued, a **demand notice, dated 21.09.2024** calling upon the **(Borrower/ Mortgager) 1.Mr Tanveer Pasha A** S/o.Mr. Ajaz Pasha, **(Co-Borrower) 2. Mrs.Samina Begum** S/o Mr. Ajaz Pasha, both are residing at: No.786, 2nd Floor, 2nd Main, 8th Cross, Maroti Layout,1st BTH stg, Maruti Layout, Bangalore-560029. **Also At, Mr. Tanveer Pasha A** S/o.Mr. Ajaz Pasha, 11,5th Cross,Mulim Colony, Byrasandra, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011. **Also At Mrs. Samina Begum** S/o Mr. Ajaz Pasha, 26-2, 5th Cross Muslim Colony, Byrasandra Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011. **Also At Mr. Tanveer Pasha A,** S/o Mr. Ajaz Pasha, **Mrs. Samina Begum** S/o Mr. Ajaz Pasha, Western Portion No.19, Comprised in No.3/2, Gurappanapalya, Thavarekere, Bangalore-560029. to repay the amount of **Rs. 50,22,416/-** (Rupees Fifty Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Four hundred and Sixteen Only) mentioned in the notice towards the loan account no's **PHR000902467168** being the amount due as on **12.09.2024** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act, read with Rule 6 & 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **18.12.2024.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **AXIS BANK LTD,** for an of **Rs. 50,22,416/-** (Rupees Fifty Lakhs TwentyTwo Thousand Four hundred and Sixteen Only) being the amount due as on **12.09.2024** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY BELONGS TO Mr.Tanveer Pasha A S/o.Mr.Ajaz Pasha

All that piece and parcel of SY.NO.7 Western Portion of No. 19, Comprised in No. 3/2, Situated at Gurappanapalya, Present Corporation No. 19/1, Thavarekere, Gurappanapalya, 64th Ward of Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, Presently the Property Bearing No. 19/1-1, Situated at THAVAREKERE GURAPPANA PALYA, BBMP Ward No. 64/Gurappanapalya, the Unique ID no. (PID) allotted to this property KIS 64-176-19/1-1, and bounded on the : East by: Remaining Portion of same property, West by: Site No. 18, North by: Private Property, South by: Road. Measuring: East to West 15'-0" feet, and North to South 40'-0" feet, In all total 600 Square Feet. Together with Ground Floor 300 Square Feet, First Floor 450 Square Feet, Second Floor 450 Square Feet of RCC Roofed House Building Constructed thereon, mosaic flooring, doors and windows made out of jungle wood with all amenities like water, sanitary, electricity, facility.

For any clarification please contact Mr. Prem Kumar A in Mobile No. 8880041234

Date : 18.12.2024 Place : Bangalore — **Sd/- Authorised Officer Axis Bank Ltd.**

IN THE COURT OF PRINCIPAL SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BANGALORE RURAL DISTRICT BANGALORE
EX 11/2021

BETWEEN: Raveen .B.V ... DECREE HOLDER
AND: Sharadamma and others ... JUDGMENT DEBTORS

NOTICE OR SUMMONS FOR LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES OF JUDGMENT DEBTOR NO. 2

2a. Smt Sandhya, Wife of Late Raju, Major, **2b Tarun,** S/o Late Raju, aged 13 years, **2c. Kumari Yeshwaswini,** S/o Late Raju, aged 8 years, Since 2a and 2b are minors are represented by their mother and natural guardian **2a. Smt Sandhya,** All are Residing at Nelaguli Village, Bolare Post, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru 560 082

WHEREAS, the above named decree holder has filed the above execution petition seeking execution of the compromise decree dated 14.09.2019.

you as Legal Representatives of Judgment Debtor no 2 you are hereby called upon to appear before the court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on **28/01/2025** at **11:00 A.M.** to respond to the prayer made in the execution petition failing which the matter would be heard and determined exparte in your absence.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the land bearing survey no 55/5 Re Survey no 55/13 (after Phodi) measuring to an extent of 0.22 guntas of land situated at Nelaguli, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk and bounded on: **East by:** Remaining land bearing survey no 55/13 measuring 0.34 guntas (Honnamma now Shardhamma), **West by:** Presently Nelaguli Gramatana property, **North by:** Land of Pujari Ajjappa and others, **South by:** Land belonging to Decree holder

Given under my hand and seal of this Hon'ble Court on this 19/12/2024 at Bangalore.

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Senior Civil Judge Court, Bengaluru Rural District, Bengaluru

Advocate for Decree Holder
B.S. RAGHUPRASAD
No.7/1, P.T. Street, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-4

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IDBI BANK CIN : L65190MH2004GOI148838

IDBI BANK LIMITED,
NPA MANAGEMENT GROUP, IBU GIFT CITY BRANCH, IFSC BANKING UNIT, UNIT NO 1402, 14TH FLOOR, SIGNATURE TOWER, BLOCK 13, ROAD- IC, ZONE-1, GIFT SEZ, GIFT CITY, GANDHINAGAR PIN :382355, GUJARAT

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY AT HERALPUR VILLAGE, HARIHARA TALUK, DAVANGERE DISTRICT, KARNATAKA

UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 (SARFAESI)

The Authorised Officer (AO) of IDBI Bank Ltd (IDBI) invites Bids/Offers in sealed covers for sale of the following property of mortgagor-Ashapuri Jain Land Developers Pvt. Ltd. in the matter of M/s Vision Metal General Trading FZC (VMGT) (borrower) under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, possession whereof has been taken by the AO, IDBI Bank Ltd on September 29, 2018.

1. Description of the Property

All that pieces and parcels of Survey No(s). 18 (30 Guntas), 19 (4 Acres 17 Guntas), 21 (3 Acres 22 Guntas), 22 (10 Acres 15 Guntas), 23 (15 Acres 28 Guntas), 25 (10 Acres 5 Guntas), 26 (3 Acres 3.4 Guntas), 27 (5 Acres 8.6 Guntas), 30 P (2 Acres 10 Guntas) and 62/2 (20 Guntas) (Less land admeasuring 10 Acres 7 Guntas comprised in Survey No(s). 19, 22, 23, 25, 26 comprised in Harihar / Heralapur Villages] admeasuring in aggregate 45 Acres 32 Guntas or thereabouts, situate within the Village limits of Harihar / Heralapur, Taluk Harihar, District Davangere (erstwhile Chitradurga District), in the State of Karnataka and bounded as follows:

On the East by : Harpanhalli Road
On the West by : Public Road to Gutter & Partly Tungabhadra River
On the North by : Part of Survey No(s). 28, 33 and 34 and
On the South by : Bangalore Pune Railway Line

Together with building admeasuring 3132 sq. mtrs with RCC roof and cement flooring with jungle wood doors and windows and together with all buildings and structures thereon and all plant and machinery attached to the earth or permanently fastened to anything attached to the earth.

2. **The details of outstanding dues of IDBI as on December 01, 2017 are as under :**

The dues of IDBI Bank Ltd., outstanding as on December 01, 2017 stands at USD 30,068,172.54 [USD Thirty Million Sixty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Seventy Two Dollar and Fifty Four cents only] as on 01.12.2017 plus interest thereon w.e.f. 01.12.2017 plus costs, charges and incidental expenses.

Reserve Price (Rs. In Crore)	Earnest Money Deposit Amount (Rs.In Crore)	Sale of Bid/ Tender Document	Date of Inspection	Last date for submission of sealed bid.	Date & Time of E-Auction
72.00	7.20	December 21, 2024 to January 05, 2025 on any working day (except Second and Fourth Saturday) between 11.00 am to 4.00 pm	January 04, 2025. [between 11.00 am to 04.00 pm]	On or before January 05, 2025 upto 04.00 pm	January 06, 2025 11.00 am to 2.00 pm with auto extension of 5 minutes each Bid, if the bidding continues, till the sale is concluded.

3) The sale would be on e-auction platform at website www.bankeauctionwizard.com through e-auction service provider Antares Systems Limited. 4). The interested bidders shall submit their bid along with EMD and KYC documents (PAN Card & Address proof) on receipt of the EMD, bidders shall receive user id/ password on their valid email id (mandatory for e-auction) from the e-auction service provider Antares Systems Limited. 5). The amount of EMD paid by the interested bidders shall carry no interest. 6). The property is proposed to be sold on **"as is where is" and "as is what is basis" and "whatever there is basis" and "no recourse basis".** The AO will not take responsibility for any dues, statutory or otherwise outstanding as on date and yet to fall due, including dues that may affect transfer of property in the name of the purchaser and such dues, if any, will have to be borne by the purchaser. Bank does not take any responsibility to provide information on the same. 7). For detailed procedure, terms and conditions of auction process, intending bidders may arrange to obtain Bid document from the Authorised Officer, Mr. Amaranath B, Deputy General Manager, IDBI Bank Ltd., "BSC Annexe", C.G.Hospital Road, PJ Extension, Davanagere Pin :577004 Karnataka, during December 21, 2024 to January 05, 2025 on any working day (except Second and Fourth Saturday) between 11.00am to 4.00pm. 8) The Bid document can be also downloaded from IDBI Website www.idbi.com and www.bankeauctionwizard.com 9) For detailed information on the procedure of e-auction, please refer to the Bid document and for formalities/ registration to be completed before e-auction, please refer to registration procedure at www.bankeauctionwizard.com. 10) The interested bidders may contact the Authorised Officer- Mr. Amaranath B, on (T) 08192 234324/230330, email: b.amaranath@idbi.co.in and/ or Mr. Subin Varughese, on (T) 079 6675 9930, email: subin_varughese@idbi.co.in, please contact Ms B M Sushmitha Contact No (Mob)+91 8951944383/ Mr. Pravesh Mani Trippathi, Contact No (Mob)+91 9044314492, email id: sushmitha.b@antaressystems.com / praveshmani.t@antaressystems.com . For other terms and condition, please refer to IDBI Bank website www.idbi.com, and www.bankeauctionwizard.com.

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 9(1) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

The borrower / guarantor are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with upto date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be auctioned / sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and costs.

Date: 21.12.2024
Place: IBU Gift City, Gandhinagar, Gujarat

Sd/- Authorised Officer
IDBI Bank Limited

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank (A Government of India Undertaking)

Regional Office West, Canara Bank
Chitrapur Mutt Complex, Malleswaram, 15th Cross, Bangalore-560055.

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Canara Bank, Regional Office West,** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **15.10.2024** calling upon the Borrower/s: **(1) M/s Sri Pravira Hospitality and Services Pvt Ltd.,** #1817, Fortuna Srinivasam, S201, 12th Main Road, 31st Cross, 2nd Stage Banashankari, Bengaluru-560070. **(2) Mr. Ramprakash Patwardhan (Director cum Guarantor)** #428, 9th Main, Avalahalli, BDA Layout, Bengaluru-560085. **(3) Mrs. Lakshmi Sridhar (Director cum Guarantor)** W/o Sridahr Somashekar, 4th Cross, Ashoknagar, Banshankari, 1st Stage, Bengaluru-560050. **(4) Mr. Vijay Sagar Shetty (Guarantor)** #1817, Fortuna Srinivasam, 2nd Floor, 12th Main Road, 31st Cross, 2nd Stage Banashankari, Bengaluru-560070, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs.4,76,54,435.98** (Rupees Four Crores Seventy Six Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Five and Ninety Eight paise Only) Dated **14.10.2024** and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **20th day of December 2024.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank, Sheshadripuram Branch** for an amount of **Rs.4,76,54,435.98** (Rupees Four Crores Seventy Six Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Four hundred and Thirty Five and Ninety Eight paise only) Dated **14.10.2024** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Vacant Land situated at Site No.11, Assessment No.36/1 and 36/1, Khata No.36/1/36/2/11, Ward No.3, Attur Village, E Block, Yelahanaka Hobli, Bangalore North measuring EW: 40 feet and NS:60 feet totally measuring 2400 Sqft in the name of Mr. Vijay Sagara Shetty bounded by: East by: Site No.12, West by: Site No.10, North by: Private Property, South by: Road.
Name of title holder: Mr.Vijay Sagar Shetty.

Date : 20.12.2024 Place : Bangalore — **Sd/-Authorized Officer Canara Bank**

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GLOBAL E-TENDER INVITING NOTICE

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER FOR LONG TERM TIME CHARTERING OF ONE SELF-TRIMMING PANAMAX / KAMSARMAX GEARLESS (OR WITH GEARS CONSIDERED AS GEARLESS) VESSEL WITH CAPACITY OF ABOUT 68,000 TO 86,000 DWT ON ACCOUNT OF NTECL.

E-tenders are invited from the Ship owners / disponent owners for the following specification

Tender Number	Lay Days	Period	Tender Download start date	Bid Submission end date	Tender opening Date
PSC/CHARTERING/ 001/2024-25., Dt 17.12.2024	29.01.2025 to 08.02.2025	6 Month + 3 Month +/- 10 days choption	20.12.2024 at 1600 hours	21.01.2025 at 1200 hours	21.01.2025 at 1400 hours

Tender document is available in e-tendering web portal **https://tntenders.gov.in / nicgep / app** and **www.tamilship.com** at free of cost. Prospective bidders are advised to refer for **https://tntenders.gov.in / nicgep / app** specific important details and upload their bid. The conditions / requirement mentioned in the website shall be met out by the bidders. This advertisement is an invitation for bid only. The details given in the website are comprehensive. Tender Opening Venue: Poompuhar Shipping Corporation Limited, Head Office, No. 692, Anna Salai, MHU Complex - 4th Floor, Nandanam, Chennai - 600 035.

Further, all communications / corrigendums will be updated through https://tntenders.gov.in / nicgep/app only.

DIPR/5588/TENDER/2024 **GENERAL MANAGER (OPS)**

Three cheers for pistol shooter Suruchi

Haryana teenager Suruchi stole the show with three gold medals in the ongoing 67th National Shooting Championship Competitions (NSCC) at New Delhi on Friday. Suruchi won her first-ever senior national title, with a score of 243.1 in the women's 10m air pistol final. She went on to add the junior and youth crowns later. In the senior category, she beat the likes of Rhythm Sangwan, Palak and Divya TS.

GILL'S AWAY OUTPUT A CAUSE FOR CONCERN

India's number three was expected to play the role of his formidable predecessor, Pujara. He has not been up to the mark in BGT so far

FOR someone who rarely lets off any emotion while addressing the media, Shubman Gill did not hide his happiness when he was asked about the feeling of coming back to the Gabba in the lead-up to the third Test between India and Australia. He was visibly delighted while talking about his previous visit to the venue, and with good reason.

It was the game that announced his arrival as a Test batter on the global stage. In only his third week as a Test cricketer, Gill produced a scintillating 91 which was crucial in setting up the game and series for Rishabh Pant here. While Gill felt nostalgic and very happy about coming back to the venue, things did not go down as well as he would have liked.

In fact, it hasn't been whenever he travels outside of Asia. That 91 against Australia in the series decider at the Gabba in January 2021 should have been the launchpad on which Gill's dominance as a Test batter was built. Instead, three years on, it feels more like an aberration. Now, it might seem harsh, but one look at the numbers will tell the full story. While Gill's average of 35.76 after 31 Tests might be sub-par — Virat Kohli averaged 43.08 after 30 Tests — there seems to be a bigger concern.

Away from home, Gill's numbers drop further down to 28.45 in 14 games and take Bangladesh out, it is 26.3 in 12 Tests. In 22 innings outside of Asia, Gill has just two fifties, including the ones he hit in Sydney and Brisbane three years ago. His next high score is the 45 he made in Melbourne on Test debut in December 2020. Gill hasn't been able to score over 40 in a Test innings outside the subcontinent since then despite playing in England, West Indies, South Africa and Australia paints the picture.

To an extent, he knows it too. This is why, Gill, who made his debut as an opener, opted to move down to No 3 at the start of the this year. Knowing that there is no doubt in potential, the selectors and team management were happy to accommodate him at No 3 while moving on from Cheteshwar Pujara. And to be fair to Gill, he had repaid the faith with three centuries and as many fifties before arriving in the Australian shores.

> I think I faltered in the first innings (second Test) because of what happened on the other end (wickets tumbling).
>
> — Gill before 3rd Test

In this tour, he was expected to play the role of his predecessor Pujara but in his own way. Gill, however, has visibly struggled. In Adelaide, despite starting well, he fell to the incoming delivery from Scott Boland before getting cleaned up by a Mitchell Starc special in the second innings. Gill, ahead of Brisbane Test, had said that it was one off and the pink ball poses its own challenges. "I think I faltered in the first innings because of what happened on the other end (wickets tumbling). I kind of took that on me and there was a period where I faced one ball in like four overs and then the next ball that I faced I kind of missed a straight ball, a fuller ball, but these are the challenges that you face while playing a Test match," Gill had explained.

While it made sense in hindsight, Gill might not have any such reasoning for his dismissal in Brisbane first innings. Having faced just two deliveries, Gill chased down a full delivery from Starc with his hands only to edge it towards gully, where Mitch Marsh took a diving catch. Another failure away from home continued. While it was an individual failure and struggle, Gill's dismissal opened the floodgates. Kohli and Pant fell shortly after and India were left catching up from behind. If not for KL Rahul and Ravindra Jadeja's recovery and the constant rain intervention, India might just have conceded lead in Brisbane.

As the caravan moves to Melbourne, the venue where Gill made his Test debut and has his only 40-plus score outside Asia (apart from the two fifties, that is), the Indian No 3 might want to take a leaf out of his teammate, KL Rahul's book. Through the series, Rahul has been by and large the best batter and the key to it has been leaving the balls outside off-stump. Gill, while an excellent player of pace and bounce, have had trouble with the incoming delivery in the past. He also has not really mastered the art of leaving balls, something that is key to succeeding in the top-order. Rahul, in Brisbane, spoke about how he replicated what Australia did in terms leaving balls in the first 30 overs. "We've seen even in Adelaide in the night when Nathan McSweeney and Marnus Labuschagne played really well in those 10-15 overs. They just kept leaving balls of a good length. That's a good thing about playing here in Australia. If you get used to the pace and bounce, you can trust the bounce and you can leave balls on bounce. And that's something that they showed us in the last game and they did that really well. So, for me, it's as important," Rahul had said.

It is something that Gill would want to emulate, not just for his own sake but for the team as well. Him spending time in the middle will allow the likes of Kohli and Pant to come in much later and take on the game against the softer ball. Pujara doing that was key to India winning consecutive Test series. For someone who's being looked at as a captaincy prospect, as the next superstar, Gill will have to a lot more to get there. The first step would be spending time in the middle at the Melbourne Cricket Ground come Boxing Day.

26.3 Gill's average outside Asia in Test cricket

91 Since that 91 at the Gabba in 2021, Gill is yet to score Test fifty outside Asia

'HIL revival a big boost for youth'

INDRANEEL DAS @Chennai

THERE is something about PR Sreejesh. He is always ebullient, seems at peace with himself and more than anything, he is shrouded in an aura of positivity. Always cheerful and articulate, Sreejesh speaks his mind. During a short conversation, he felt that his stint as coach of the junior team had been fantastic. India won the junior men's Asia Cup title beating Pakistan in the final. The first major outing, in his words, was a 'good job'. Sreejesh said that the revival of the Hockey India League was a big step. "The league is like an international match where top players from across the world play and it is a platform where youngsters can learn and grow," Sreejesh said during a Zoom interaction on Friday. He said that like earlier editions, domestic players will benefit from it.

With the HIL set to begin in the last week of December, Sreejesh's role has changed — coaching to an administrator. Right now, he is the Director and mentor of the Delhi SG Pipers team. The two-time Olympic bronze medal winner said even this stint too could be interesting. Sreejesh realised that coaching was not easy either. "Playing was easier than coaching," he said. "As a player, you just need to worry about your own business. But now you are the boss of 40 players and another eight staff under you. You are responsible for everything. Then it is a new role. But I am enjoying it. I always say this ... on the field, the goalkeepers always act like a coach. You are commanding the defenders or organizing them, communicating with the midfielders and forwards. It has slightly changed now. I used to yell from the back or the goalpost but now I am yelling from the sidelines. Hockey is something which I had known for the last 24 years and teaching that game to the youngsters is something I am enjoying seriously," Sreejesh mentioned. It is not always that international players are inducted as coaches just after retirement. Sreejesh is an aberration. The moment he retired after the bronze medal at the Paris Olympics, he was offered the role of a coach for the junior national team.

Sreejesh has given an example of how HIL can help players. "It is like this. When I step into a new franchisee in HIL, I'm going to be with some of the best foreign players. And I am going to learn everything from him. From the dining hall, what he eats... what are the things he eats before a match... his daily routine on a match day. How he prepares for a match or behaves before, during, and after a match. How he motivates a player when the team continuously loses or how he talks to a player when the team is winning." **Watch the HIL from December 28 onwards at 7:30 PM IST live on Sony Sports Network** **Full story: newindianexpress.com**

OZ BGT SQUAD

Konstas in, McSweeney dropped

AGENCIES @Melbourne

TEENAGE sensation Sam Konstas was handed a maiden call-up as Australia on Friday dropped rookie opener Nathan McSweeney for the final two Test matches of the Border-Gavaskar Trophy against India.

The 19-year-old could become Australia's youngest Test batting debutant in over 70 years. If Konstas, who turned 19 on October 2, is selected in the playing XI in the Boxing Day Test, he would become Australia's youngest Test debutant since captain Pat Cummins, who was 18 years and 193 days old when he made his debut against South Africa in Johannesburg in 2011.

AUSTRALIA SQUAD FOR 4TH AND 5TH TESTS: Pat Cummins (c), Sean Abbott, Scott Boland, Alex Carey, Travis Head (vc), Josh Inglis, Usman Khawaja, Sam Konstas, Marnus Labuschagne, Nathan Lyon, Mitchell Marsh, Jhye Richardson, Steve Smith (vc), Mitchell Starc, Beau Webster.

The teenager could also become the youngest specialist batter to debut for Australia since Ian Craig when he played against South Africa at the MCG in 1953 aged 17 years 239 days. Speedster Sean Abbott is also back in the squad for the remaining two games while uncapped Tasmania all-rounder Beau Webster, who was added ahead of the second Test in Adelaide, retains his place in the 15-member group.

Barty's former hotspot now a different world

GOMESH S @Brisbane

227 ARCHERFIELD Road, Richlands, Brisbane, Queensland. It is an address that holds significance not just in Australian tennis, but the country's sporting history. Once a house to the West Brisbane Tennis Centre, it is where former World No 1 and Australian tennis legend Ashleigh Barty first hit a tennis ball on the court.

Away from all the hassle of Brisbane city, Barty, with her long-time coach and friend Jim Joyce, spent almost two decades at the once buzzing facility, honing her tennis while also spending time with kids, who just like her, aspired to take up the sport she loved.

Today, 227 Archerfield Road is unrecognisable. About two years ago, the 20189 sq.m property, previously owned by the Joyce family, was sold to Kingsmede, an investment company. However, before locking it down for one last time Joyce, three-time Grandslam winner Barty, who had retired in March 2022, and others who were associated with the centre had a get together and partied at the facility. "That afternoon will mean as much to me as a lot of her big wins," Joyce was quoted saying to the Courier Mail. "It was just bloody wonderful. There were no seats there because it was all gone. We just stood and chatted about her life and mine, had a bit of a hug and off she went and I pushed the locks across the gate," he had added in June 2022.

When this writer visited the address on Friday, the only evidence of any connection to tennis was the old board that was left untouched. West Brisbane Tennis Centre, it read, with a phone number that doesn't work anymore. Looking over from the street, all one could see beyond the old damaged board were hundreds of cars parked and stacked one over another. Having been converted into an industrial complex, the address now leads to Wheel Pros — a company that designs, markets and distributes branded aftermarket wheels. Besides that is another company called Auto Car Removals, which offers solutions to steel, remove and wrecking four-wheelers.

The 227 Archerfield Road now leads to businesses that deal with auto parts

Barty is now a retired tennis legend, she has been for a while now. She plays golf, had played cricket in the past, but has ruled out any sort of comeback to sports for the foreseeable future. With a young family to take care of, Barty, who does commentary occasionally, already has her hands full.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Colombo an option for CT due to UAE's visa rule?

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

FOR the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB), the United Arab Emirates (UAE) remains priority for being a neutral venue for the 2025 Champions Trophy. However, certain visa policy of the UAE for select nations means the PCB is also looking for an alternate option and that could be Colombo in Sri Lanka.

Of late, Pakistan citizens have reportedly faced visa rejection for UAE. Similarly, Afghanistan nationals too have been facing issues. Afghanistan is among eight teams to qualify for the Champions Trophy. It will be Afghanistan's maiden appearance in the Champions Trophy.

The International Cricket Committee (ICC) on Thursday approved that matches between India and Pakistan played at ICC events during the current rights cycle from 2024 to 2027 (which are to be hosted in India or Pakistan) will be played at a neutral venue proposed by the tournament host. "This will apply to the ICC Men's Champions Trophy 2025 (Pakistan), ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 (India) and the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 (India and Sri Lanka)," the ICC said in a statement.

A source had told this daily that authorities at Dubai were even asked, though verbally, to keep the venue ready for India matches and knockouts if the Men in Blue reach that stage.

"UAE remains the priority with Dubai most likely being the neutral venue for the 2025 CT," a PCB source told this daily. The source, however, said an intense discussion is on among all stakeholders given the visa policy of the UAE. "Pakistan nationals from a few cities have been denied UAE visas of late. Similarly, a few other participating nations also face the same difficulties in procuring the UAE visas. These issues could lead to change in the venue but the Pakistan board is trying its best to get things sorted out as Dubai looks the most appropriate venue," added the source.

The Champions Trophy is slated in February-March next year but the ICC has yet not announced the match schedule. The PCB was awarded the tournament in 2021. India's refusal to travel to Pakistan led to the stalemate and eventual delay in the announcement of the schedule.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Brison double helps Goa sink toppers Bagan

AGENCIES @Margao

FC GOA extended their unbeaten streak to seven games with a 2-1 win over league leaders Mohun Bagan Super Giant in the Indian Super League at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Goa on Friday.

A couple of goals from Brison Fernandes in either half helped the Gaurs secure all three points. In between, Dimitrios Petratos brought the visitors back into the game with a spot-kick. Overall, the Mariners were arguably inefficient in attack as their forwards missed an array of chances, despite taking 12 shots as opposed to the nine of the home side.

With the day's outcome. Goa climbed to third spot with a tally of 22 points from 12 games.

Tottenham's Dominic Solanke (2nd L) celebrates after scoring the opening goal | AP

SPURS SURVIVE MAN UTD COMEBACK TO ADVANCE

AGENCIES @London

TOTTENHAM survived two calamitous errors from stand-in goalkeeper Fraser Forster on Thursday to beat Manchester United 4-3 and set up a League Cup semifinal against Liverpool. The home side were cruising at 3-0 in the 54th minute of a captivating tie in London after two goals from Dominic Solanke and one from Dejan Kulusevski. But Forster's mistakes allowed substitutes Joshua Zirkzee and Amad Diallo to pull the score back to 3-2 with 20 minutes to go. It was one-way traffic after that, with United totally on top, but Spurs scored a fourth as Son Heung-min found the net from a corner and they held on despite a late Jonny Evans goal.

EXPRESS READ

Hadjar set for Red Bull feeder team in 2025

PARIS: Red Bull have promoted their junior driver Isack Hadjar to partner Yuki Tsunoda at Red Bull's feeder team RB next season. The 20-year-old French rookie takes the seat vacated by Liam Lawson after the New Zealander was promoted to replace Sergio Perez alongside Red Bull's four-time world champion Max Verstappen for the 2025 campaign.

BCCI to elect Shah's replacement on Jan 12

NEW DELHI: The BCCI will hold a Special General Meeting (SGM) in Mumbai on January 12 to elect its new secretary and treasurer after the two posts were vacated by Jay Shah and Ashish Shelar respectively earlier this month. The BCCI constitution states that any post lying vacant should be filled within 45 days by calling a Special General Meeting. The upcoming BCCI SGM will be held within 43 days of the deadline.

Tennis: United Cup introduces timeouts

SYDNEY: Tactical timeouts will be allowed in mixed-doubles matches at the ATP-WTA season-opening United Cup, organisers, calling it a world first for tennis. The new rule will permit a player or captain to call a 60-second timeout to confer on strategy by pressing a large red buzzer in the team zone courtside. They will not be used during singles clashes. The 18-team United Cup kicks off the 2025 season from December 27-January 5.

TOP PERFORMANCE

Odisha's tribal lifter Jyoshna shatters youth Asian record

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

JYOSHNA Sabar created a youth Asian record for total lift at the ongoing Asian Youth Weightlifting Championships in Doha on Friday. She clinched a gold each in snatch (60kg), clean and jerk (75kg) and overall category (60+75=135kg) in the 40kg section at the event.

Medal at an international meet is not new for the 16-year-old tribal girl from Odisha as she had already pocketed bronze medals at the 2023 edition of the continental event. Those medals came a couple of months after she won medals at the 2023 IWF Youth World Championships (bronze in total & silver in snatch). She bettered the results at the 2024 IWF Youth World Championships (silver in total and snatch and bronze in clean & jerk). What matters the most is her record overall lift of 135kg at the Doha event. Hailing from Pekata village of Rayagada tehsil in Gajapati district, Jyoshna's life changed for the better almost six years ago when she was spotted by scouts during a talent hunt drive at her Gram Vikas residential school in Kankia, Ganjam village. A year later, she shifted to the high-performance centre run by the state government in partnership with Tenvic Sports.

"When we visited her village last year after medal at the youth worlds, we noticed how difficult it was to reach there. Only one bus plies to the village. Her house is almost 10 kms from the bus stop," K Ravi Kumar, Olympian and secretary-general of the Odisha Weightlifting Association, told this daily. "Her house was built with support from a cliff, which constituted one of the four walls. Father Kirtan Sabar is a small-time farmer while mother Gechameni is a housewife. Given her modest background, it's an achievement for her to come out of that place and win international medals," added Kumar.

Jyoshna trained in Bhubaneswar till last year before being selected for a camp for youth weightlifters NIS Patiala. "Ramesh Chandra Padhi was her first coach at school. We donated weightlifting equipment to the school and there she trained with Padhi for almost a year. A lot of young girls and boys have been identified during such talent hunt programmes and Jyoshna is one among them. They can be the future of Indian weightlifting," signed off Kumar, who represented India at the 2012 London Olympics. Besides Jyoshna, India's Payal claimed 45kg gold with a total lift of 155kg (70 snatch + 85 clean and jerk). Her namesake won bronze in the junior girls' 45kg competition, finishing on the podium after managing a total lift of 155 (70 snatch + 85 clean and jerk).

Full story: newindianexpress.com

XPLAINER

MAPPING FLOOD, DROUGHT RISKS OF INDIAN DISTRICTS

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @New Delhi

A new report from the Department of Science and Technology and the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, quantified the vulnerability of each district in the country to climate change so as to develop actionable pathways to mitigate them and evolve sustainable solutions.

The report, District-Level Climate Risk Assessment for India: Mapping Flood and Drought Risks Using IPCC Framework, was prepared by premier institutions like the Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati, Indian Institute of Technology, Mandi and the Centre for Study of Science, Technology, and Policy (CSTEP), Bengaluru.

It profiles India's districts on their hazard-specific risk and the nexus of hazard, exposure and vulnerability.

The report identifies flood-prone locations in the Brahmaputra and Ganga basins in the Indo-Gangetic and Brahmaputra plains in the North and Northeast, respectively. In the Northwest, risks from west-flowing rivers such as the Narmada and Tapi; and in Central India and the Deccan, threats from major east-flowing rivers like the Mahanadi, Krishna and Cauvery are mapped.

While the flood hazard is concentrated, drought is spread more evenly in districts across the country. The larger the population exposed to hazards, the higher their index of vulnerability.

The report goes beyond environmental factors for droughts and floods and examines socio-economic and political factors as well to suggest measures to build resilience. Short- and medium-term approaches would be vital to shield communities from climate-related hazards.

It categorises districts into Very High Risk and High Risk to floods, drought and both. The report recommends integration of human-centric and interdisciplinary interventions to bolster sustainable development and enhance community resilience against the challenge of climate change.

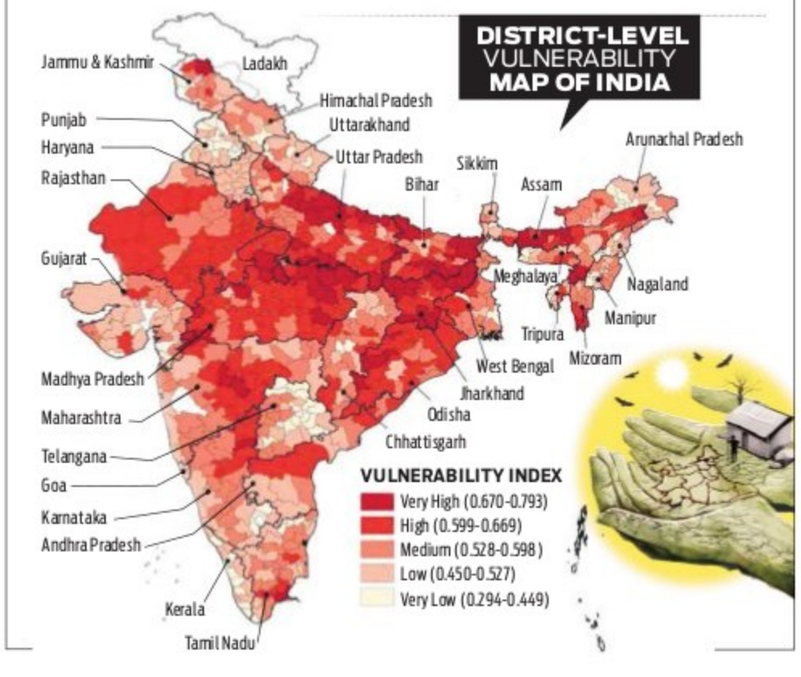
Flood risk: According to the study, about 85% of the districts of Assam, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Gujarat, Odisha, and Jammu and Kashmir are in the very high flood risk category due to heavy population density and large agricultural lands. It found 51 districts in India face very high flood risk, while 118 others were categorised as high risk.

Drought risk: More than 85% of the districts are in the very high drought risk category. They are in Bihar, Assam, Jharkhand, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Uttarakhand and Haryana because of their population density. However, many districts in Maharashtra are also highly exposed to drought due to their high dependence on rainfed agriculture. As many as 91 districts are in the very high drought risk list while 188 other districts face high drought risk, primarily in Bihar, Assam, Jharkhand, Odisha, and Maharashtra.

Both hazards: Worryingly, 11 districts are at a very high risk of flood and drought. Districts facing this dual risk include Patna in Bihar; Alappuzha in Kerala; Charaideo, Dibrugarh, Sibsagar, South Salmara-Mankachar, and Golaghat in Assam; Kendrapara in Odisha; and Murshidabad, Nadia and Uttar Dinajpur in West Bengal.

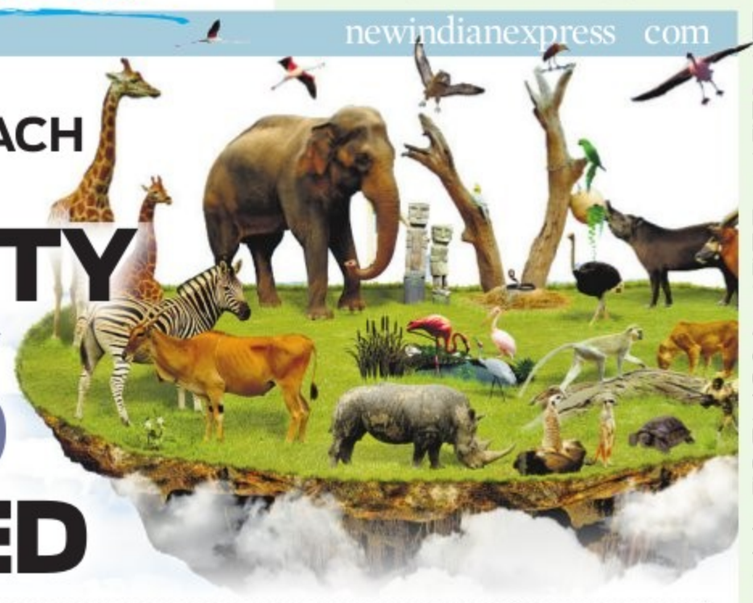
Risk mapping: With rising frequency of floods and drought events, it is imperative for Central and state governments to prepare and mitigate the impacts of specific climate hazards. The report helps state governments and their policy makers proactively prepare mitigation plans and allocate resources, staff and design programmes, fostering resilience in districts most affected by floods and droughts.

It recommends empowerment of local communities and elected representatives to design schemes for compensation or insurance to deal with high drought and flood-related losses.



CALL FOR NEXUS APPROACH AS CLIMATE CHANGE,

BIODIVERSITY LOSS INTERLINKED



TRENDS IN **INDIRECT DRIVERS AND THEIR IMPACTS** ON NEXUS ELEMENTS

	INDICATORS OF INDIRECT DRIVER	TREND IN INDIRECT DRIVER	BIO-DIVERSITY	WATER		FOOD		HEALTH	
				AVAILABILITY	QUALITY	QUANTITY	QUALITY	PHYSICAL	MENTAL
ECONOMIC	GDP	↑	▼▼	▼	▼▼	▲	▼	▼	▼
	Material intensity	↘	—	—	—	▲	—		
	Trade	↑	▼▼	▼	▼▼	▲	▼	▼	▼
	Poverty	↓	—	~	—	~	~	~	~
DEMOGRAPHIC	Population	↗	▼▼	▼	▼▼	▲	▼	▼	▼
	Urbanisation	↗	▼	▼	▼	▲	~	▼	▼
INSTITUTIONAL	Regulations (environmental)	↑	▲	▲	—	—	—	—	—
	Armed conflicts	↑	~	—	—	—	▼▼	▼▼	▼▼
CULTURAL	Knowledge/literacy	↗							
	Per capita consumption	↗	▼▼	▼	▼▼	▲	▼	▼	—
TECHNOLOGY	Renewable energy (solar and wind)	↑	▼	—	—	~	—	~	—
	Use of ICT	↑	▼	—	—	—		▼	—

Level of evidence of impact: Well established | Established but incomplete | Unresolved | Inconclusive

Trend characterisation, annual growth rate since 2001

- ↑ >+3%
- ↗ 0.3 to 3%
- → -0.3 to 0.3%
- ↘ -0.3 to -3%
- ↓ <3%

How trend in indirect driver impacted trend in nexus element

- ▲▲ High positive impact
- ▲ Moderate positive impact
- — Stable/little impact
- ▼ Moderate negative impact
- ▼▼ High negative impact
- ~ Variable

S V KRISHNA CHAITANYA @ Chennai

2024 has been a year of extremes. Global warming surpassed 1.5 degrees Celsius for the first time on record, a critical threshold if breached continuously will push the limits of life on Earth to adapt. The United Nations University in Bonn said nearly one million species are currently at risk of extinction and natural ecosystems are crumbling.

The latest science says these two are deeply interconnected and warns that tackling them in isolation is ineffective and often counterproductive.

The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) has released a new landmark report called "Nexus Report", a product of three years of work by 165 leading international experts from 57 countries from all regions of the world.

The report categorically says existing actions to address these challenges fail to tackle the complexity of interlinked problems and result in inconsistent governance.

"These issues are not standalone; they cascade and compound each other," said Prof Paula Harrison, co-chair of the report. "Without integrated action, we risk making matters worse."

The report examines five key crises—climate change, biodiversity loss, food insecurity, water scarcity, and health risks—and illustrates how these issues amplify one another. For example, efforts to boost food production often strain land and water resources, undermining biodiversity and exacerbating climate change. Similarly, initiatives to mitigate climate change through land-based carbon sequestration can reduce the availability of arable land, worsening food insecurity. "We must move beyond siloed approaches," said Prof Pamela McElwee, another co-chair. "Integrated solutions are essential to address these systemic issues effectively."

The report highlights that more than half of global gross domestic product – more than $50 trillion of annual economic activity around the world – is moderately to highly dependent on nature. "But current decision-making has prioritised short-term financial returns while ignoring costs to nature. It is estimated that the unaccounted-for costs of current approaches to economic activity – reflecting impacts on biodiversity, water, health and climate change, including from food production – are at least $10-25 trillion per year.

The existence of such unaccounted-for costs, alongside direct public subsidies to economic activities that have negative impacts on biodiversity (approx $1.7 trillion per year), enhances private financial incentives to invest in economic activities that cause direct damage to nature (approx $5.3 trillion per year), in spite of growing evidence of biophysical risks to economic progress and financial stability.

Delaying the action needed to meet policy goals will also increase the costs of delivering it. Delayed action on biodiversity goals, for example, could as much as double costs – also increasing the probability of irreplaceable losses such as species extinctions. Delayed action on climate change adds at least $500 billion per year in additional costs for meeting policy targets.

"The true costs of these activities are hidden," explained Purnamita Dasgupta, an environmental economist and lead author of the report. "If we account for the damages caused by biodiversity loss, ecosystem degradation, and pollution, we see just how unsustainable these practices are."

"We are quite literally eroding the foundation of our own survival," warned Dr Anne Larigauderie, Executive Secretary of IPBES.

The report also talks about unequal impacts of global crises, stressing the need for inclusive decision-making to address interconnected challenges in biodiversity, water, food, health, and climate change. Estimates show more than half the global population lives in areas facing the highest impacts of biodiversity loss, declining water quality, food insecurity, and increased health risks. These challenges disproportionately affect developing nations, small island states, indigenous people, and vulnerable communities in higher-income countries. 41% of the global population experienced significant biodiversity decline, while 9% faced severe health burdens, and 5% suffered high levels of malnutrition.

Continuing "business-as-usual" trends will result in worsening outcomes. The report outlined more than 70 response options, taken together would support the achievement of all 17 SDGs, all 23 targets of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and the long-term goals for climate change mitigation and adaptation of the Paris Agreement. Twenty four of the response options advance more than five SDGs and more than five of the Global Biodiversity Framework targets. These include ecosystem restoration, sustainable diets, urban nature-based solutions, and integrated landscape management. Restoring forests, mangroves, and carbon-rich ecosystems can simultaneously address biodiversity loss, climate mitigation and food security. Supporting Indigenous food systems and promoting integrated governance also enhance outcomes and equity.

"Some good examples include marine protected areas that have included communities in management and decision-making," said Prof McElwee. "These have led to increases in biodiversity, greater abundance of fish to feed people and improved incomes for local communities and often increased tourism revenues as well."

Explaining what is needed, Prof McElwee said the current governance structures and approaches are not responsive enough to meet the interconnected challenges that result from the accelerated speed and scale of environmental change and rising inequalities. This can be addressed by moving towards 'nexus governance approaches': more integrated, inclusive, equitable, coordinated and adaptive approaches.

THEMATIC FINDINGS FROM THE REPORT

FOOD
- **42%** Proportion of global population unable to afford healthy diets
- **80%** Proportion of under-nourished people living in developing countries
- **>800 mn** People affected by food insecurity in Asia and Africa

BIODIVERSITY LOSS
- **2-6%** Decline per decade in biodiversity across all assessed indicators (last 30-50 years)
- **>50%** Global population living in areas impacted by biodiversity, water, food insecurity and climate change
- **$58 tn** Annual global economic activity generated in sectors dependent on nature (more than 50% of global GDP)
- **Up to $25 tn:** Annual external costs due to negative impacts on biodiversity, water, health, climate from fossil fuel, agriculture and fisheries sectors
- **$5.3 tn** Annual private-sector financial flows damaging biodiversity
- **$1.7 tn** Annual public subsidies incentivising damage to biodiversity
- **$100 bn-$300 bn:** Annual value of illegal resource extraction activities (wildlife, timber, fish)
- **Up to $1 tn**: Financing gap to meet global biodiversity needs
- **At least $4 tn:** Financing gap for SDGs beyond biodiversity

WATER

Freshwater biodiversity lost faster than terrestrial biodiversity
- **80%** Proportion of humanity's demand for freshwater used in food production
- **75%** Global population reliant on forests for accessible freshwater
- **33%** Reef-building coral species at high risk of extinction
- **1 bn** People benefiting from coral reefs (food, medicine, storm protection, tourism)

HEALTH
- **20 Yrs** difference in average life expectancy between regions
- **10x** Child mortality rates higher in least-developed countries
- **11 mn** Adult deaths in 2017 due to unhealthy diets
- **9 mn** Premature deaths from pollution in 2019
- **50%** Proportion of emerging infectious diseases linked to land-use changes

CLIMATE CHANGE
- **21-37%** Proportion of global greenhouse gas emissions from food systems
- **58%** Proportion of known human infectious diseases likely to worsen due to climate change
- **$500 bn+** Annual cost for climate change adaptation and mitigation each year of delay
- **50%** Proportion of carbon sequestration in oceans attributed to coastal ecosystems

Odisha harnesses AI potential for forest, wildlife conservation

SUDARSAN MAHARANA @ Bhubaneswar

FROM thwarting poachers and spotting forest fires to preventing accidental death of elephants, the use of Artificial intelligence (AI) has revolutionised forest and wildlife protection in Odisha, showcasing how cutting-edge technology can play a pivotal role in safeguarding the ecosystem.

The state, in fact, is setting a benchmark in forest and wildlife conservation by harnessing the power of technological intervention in dealing with the critical challenges.

Capable of capturing high-resolution photos even during night, AI-integrated cameras are helping the authorities of the Similipal Tiger Reserve (STR), the biggest tiger habitat in the state, in ensuring every corner of the protected area is under surveillance.

Around 100 AI integrated trail guard cameras have been installed in Similipal to monitor the movement of big cats and other wild animals and check trespassing of poachers and other wildlife criminals inside the protected area.

Coupled with the foot patrolling of forest guards, these AI-enabled cameras have turned out to be a stealth weapon for the STR authorities in keeping a close watch on trespassers. Since their trial run in March last year, the AI cameras have helped forest officials of STR track down around 20 poachers and individuals involved in different wildlife crimes and forest offences.

These cameras are capable of identifying human and animal movement within their range and click their pictures stealthily. The AI algorithms in these cameras have been fine-tuned to cater to the needs of the Similipal range.

Similipal is now planning to increase their number to 250, said STR field director Prakash Chand Gogineni. He said the AI tool is also being used to check incidents of wildfire that have emerged as a major challenge in recent years.

Ahead of the upcoming forest fire season, that will commence from January 2025, STR authorities have set up five AI-enabled camera towers, having a visual range of about 20 km, to detect forest fire and send alarm to the control room for quick response and minimising damage.

An AI enabled-camera tower (left) in Rourkela forest division; thermal image of elephants (above) near the railway track captured by the AI camera in Rourkela

A trespasser and a big cat captured by AI integrated cameras in Similipal Tiger Reserve. The technology helps officials take on poachers and other wildlife criminals inside the protected area

> **Use of the advanced surveillance tool is proving to be a game-changer, offering real-time monitoring and enhanced decision-making capabilities to the wildlife authorities** —Prem Kumar Jha, PCCF Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden

Apart from bolstering the protection measures in Similipal, AI has also demonstrated its transformative potential by preventing a major rail accident and saving the lives of three elephants, including a calf, in the Rourkela forest division recently.

The AI-enabled thermal camera detected a herd of elephants as they approached close to the Bandhamunda-Barsuan railway track in Rourkela earlier this month and alerted the control room of both the forest department and the railways with inputs and thermal images enabling them to swiftly respond to the situation. Railway officials delayed the movement of a goods train by half-an-hour, preventing a major accident from taking place on the track.

"Use of the advanced surveillance tool is proving to be a game-changer, offering real-time monitoring and enhanced decision-making capabilities to the wildlife authorities," said PCCF Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden Prem Kumar Jha.

Jha said, the wildlife wing is also planning to introduce AI cameras in more forests including the Satkosia Tiger Reserve, Mahanadi Wildlife Division and Angul and Dhenkanal forest divisions in the coming days.

Sources said the state forest department is also planning to install five AI integrated camera towers in Debrigarh Wildlife Sanctuary where it plans to introduce five big cats in the near future to transform the landscape into a tiger reserve.

"There will be wider use of AI cameras in the monitoring of wildlife movement and forest fire in the state in the coming days," the PCCF Wildlife said and added that apart from AI, they have also started using the very small aperture terminal (VSAT) communication technology in the remote and accessible pockets of forests to strengthen wildlife protection and conservation measures in the state.

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Anesthesia was used for the first time on this day in 1846, in Britain during an operation at University College Hospital in London

THE EVENT

Robert Liston, then London's leading surgeon, was so impressed that he arranged to perform an amputation under ether at University College Hospital

INITIAL STAGES

In 1799, Sir Humphry Davy, a British chemist and inventor, tried inhaling nitrous oxide and discovered its anesthetic properties

THE PROGRESS

In Scotland in 1847, obstetrician Professor James Y Simpson starts giving women chloroform to ease the pain of childbirth

CE's guide to happenings in the city

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'CHANGE IS SOMETHING I LOOK FORWARD TO'

In a candid conversation with *CE*, tennis star Sania Mirza, who was in B'luru, opens up about embracing motherhood, and the importance of adapting to change

SHREYA VERONICA

SANIA Mirza, the former doubles World No 1 and six-time Grand Slam champion, is a name synonymous with excellence and empowerment. Mirza, who was recently in the city to unveil carpet wall art pieces, inspired by paintings created by children on an autism spectrum, shares insights that go beyond the court, offering a glimpse into the mind of a champion who continues to inspire millions around the world.

The tennis star, who is also seen promoting other causes like inclusivity and equality in household chores, elaborates, "Equality is about equal opportunity. Asking the right questions at every given point is key. We can certainly talk to men about equality but for equality to happen, it is the woman who truly needs to believe that she is empowered."

While most people struggle with change, Mirza reflects, "I think change is the only constant. Change can be good and bad – there will be moments where you may feel bad but that change can lead to something greater tomorrow. So, change is something I look forward to. It is necessary for us to progress not just individually but as a society."

Sania Mirza receives a carpet artwork, depicting her and her son, Izhaan Mirza Malik | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Successful sportspeople are, more often than not, excellent self-motivators. Mirza is no exception, pointing out that she keeps herself motivated all the time. "My goals keep changing; when I used to play, there used to be certain goals and now, there are other goals," she notes.

Mirza is now in a different phase of her life, where she is embracing motherhood. "I always wanted to be a mother. This is one of the most gratifying and wholesome experiences that a human being can have. It has helped me evolve into a selfless person. Once you become a mother, you love a child in a way you don't think that you are capable of loving another human being."

Sharing a message for her fans, she says, "Always try and do the right thing for a better tomorrow."

Pic: Vinay Madapu

CITY READ

Choir to perform X'Mas carols on Sunday

The choir of St John's Church is set to perform a selection of traditional and contemporary songs at Carols by Candlelight programme on December 22, 6pm at John's Church, Fraser Town. The choir will be conducted by Samuel Samson accompanied by Santosh Baynes. Entry is free.

50th annual cake show to be held till Jan 1

The Institute of Baking and Cake Art (IBCA) and MyBakersMart are showcasing a monumental array of sugar-crafted cakes at the 50th Annual Bangalore Cake Show, being held at Palace Grounds till January 1 from 10am to 9pm. One of the highlights this year is a 250-kg, life-size confectionary tribute to Ratan Tata composed of a sugar bust, surrounded by a symbolic sugar globe adorned with sugar-crafted airplanes, representing the reclamation of Tata Airlines and the unwavering spirit of philanthropy. Also featured is a 280-kg, life-size layered cake dedicated to SM Krishna, consisting of edible paper, sugar files and a miniature Indian flag made with handcrafted gum paste and fondant designs, symbolising his contributions to Karnataka politics and society. Adding to the festive spirit will be a 350-kilo New Year celebration cake, studded with sugar-crafted clocks, champagne bottles, balloons and fondant streamers. Crafted by a dedicated team of five talented artists, these edible art installations are meant to symbolise celebration and renewal.

GRUB HUB

Aslam Gafoor (@aslamgafoor) is a seasoned hospitality professional with a rich background in business development, sales, and marketing with renowned hotels and F&B companies. With an unwavering passion for food, travel, and wines, he takes great delight in sharing his insights and experiences as a columnist.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Food quiz'** The correct answers and names of the first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE* on Monday. The winner will receive a voucher worth ₹1,500 from Smoor Chocolates (dine-in only)**

1. Which traditional Italian dessert, made with chestnut flour, pine nuts, and raisins, is a staple in Tuscany?
2. What Russian winter delicacy consists of frozen raw fish slices served with onions?
3. Which Danish Christmas dessert features rice, almonds, and cherry sauce?

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The Festival showcases 350 artists' works at Palace Grounds

The India Art Festival, a grand art celebration in the city, commenced on Thursday. The art festival was inaugurated by senior artist and Karnataka Lalit Kala Academy Chairman P.S. Kumar, alongside former chairpersons M.S. Murthy and Prof. M.J. Kamalakshi. Renowned artists such as C. Chandrashekhar and Gurudas Shenoy also graced the occasion. Dr. B.L. Shankar, President of Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath, engaged in insightful discussions with the artists. The IAF Creative Excellence Award was presented to artists M. Narayan and M.S. Amarnath at the opening. The festival runs today and tomorrow, from 11 AM to 8 PM, at Kings Court, Palace Grounds. Tickets are available on BookMyShow.

P.S. Kumar, artist and Chairman of the Karnataka Lalit Kala Academy, inaugurating the event by lighting the ceremonial lamp

Mohan Sitnoor, P S Kumar, Dr. B L Shankar, Rajendra Patil, Art Festival Director, and Artist M J Kamalakshi

Artists Amit Shrivastava, Radhika and Dnyanesh Misra, Gurudas Shenoy, and Niraj Sharma

Divya Reddy, Prof. K S Appajaiah and Bincy K Augustine

Artists P Gnana, Praveen Upadhye, and A Viswam

Senior Artists – K K Makali, KG Lingadevaru, C Chandrashekhar, AM Prakash, and Baburao Nadoni

Nalini Malaviya, Sara Arakkal, M S Murthy, and Shyamala Ramanand

Art Collector Jay Bhow and Artist M Narayan

Artists Om Thadkar, Monica Ghule, and Sathya Gowthaman

Senior Artists Prahallad KV, Chandranath Acharya, and VRC Shakhar

Chander Kumar, Inderjeet Singh Gover, and Praveen Kumar

Sarbani Bhattacharya, Shashwati Devsharm, and Suhasini Rajgopalan

Anajli Prabhakar, Boopathy, and Vandana Nahar

Senior Artists Sudha Manohar, Neela Panch, and BY Vinoda

S Kantha Raddy and Gautam Bansal

Ritika Sadhwani, Sayeeda Ali, Kalpana Arya, and Jyoti Kalra

Yuvraj Patil, Rashmi Soni, and Isha Valentine

Susan Halfhide, Ashtha Gajwani, and Sayantini Bhowmick

Rishi Sharma, Erum Khan, and Chandni Gulati

Kirti Gaikwad, Shobha Iyer, Aparna Rajapandian, and Tiby Manu

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

Sushi Craft

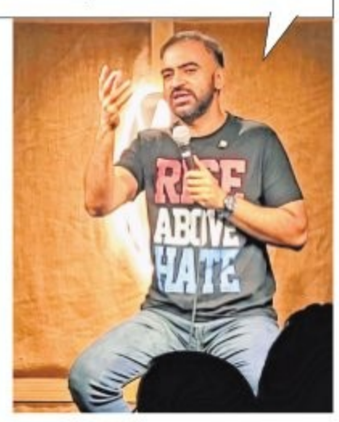
Dive into the art of sushi-making at this hands-on gourmet cook-along with experts. Learn sushi-making from scratch by creating four types of sushi using a variety of vegetarian and non-vegetarian fillings along with learning various rolling techniques.
WHEN: December 21, 4.30pm
WHERE: Fatty Bao, Indiranagar
CALL: 99868 51549

Comedy Chronicles

Laugh your way into the evening with standup comedian **Punit Pania**'s set, Guilty Bystander. Enjoy a night full of laughs and quirks as Pania takes the audience on a comical journey of three distinct personal stories. **WHEN:** December 22, 4pm **WHERE:** Underground Comedy Club, Koramangala **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

For Movie Lovers

Prepare for an unforgettable movie experience as you attend this captivating screening of **The Time That Remains**, a poignant tale that masterfully weaves heartfelt emotions with sharp humour.
WHEN: December 21, 11.50am
WHERE: Casa Karaoke, JP Nagar
DETAILS: allevents.in



HOLIDAY FAIR

Bring a fun start to the holiday season with the Christmas edition of Sunday Soul Sante. Enter into the world of creativity with a vibrant display of handicrafts, musical performances, Christmas treats as well as pet-friendly activities at this flea market. **WHEN:** December 22, 10am onwards
WHERE: Ecoworld, Bellandur **DETAILS:** insider.in

Winter Mixology

Explore the artistry of cocktail making in this guided mixology experience. Indulge in the craft with an individual cocktail-making set and a fun mystery box round to add some Christmas cheer, creating an experience full of fun stories and conversations around cocktails. **WHEN:** December 21, 4pm **WHERE:** Ganbeii Micro Brewery, Koramangala **DETAILS:** troveexperiences.com

Puppetry Fun

Take a trip back to your childhood in this delightful puppet show for children featuring Ernest Hemingway's novella, *The Old Man and the Sea*, delving into the theme of courage in the face of adversity.
WHEN: December 22, 3.30pm
WHERE: Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar
DETAILS: rangashankara.org

Magical Trio

Experience the magic of the legendary trio – **Shankar Mahadevan, Ehsaan Noorani and Loy Mendonsa** as they set the stage ablaze with their performance. From chart-topping Bollywood hits to soul-stirring melodies, immerse yourself in this musical extravaganza. **WHEN:** December 21, 7pm **WHERE:** New Horizon College of Engineering, Kadabeesanahalli **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

ART CORNER

EMOTIONAL AWAKENING

Artist Tushar Joshi captures the quiet storm of reawakening emotions, where shadows whisper of life's delicate revival

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I, **(OLD NAME) APPALA NARASAMMA,** Mother of NO JC-313776L, SUB, RAMANA RAO SURA, Residing at Ramadasupuram (Vill), Fareed Peta (Post & Tehsil), Srikakulam (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 532005, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) SURA APPALNARASAMMA** And **DOB** from **01.07.1955** to **01.01.1951** Vide Affidavit Dated 16.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **VADDE SHAILAJA**, D/o V Sreenivasulu, Resident of No: 369, Vijinapura, Narasimha Layout, Doorvaninagar, Bangalore -560016, changed my Daughter name from **M BHOOMIKA** to **RESHMA** for all future purposes, IN-KA97115775343381W, vide Affidavit dated 19-12-2024, before XI Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Bangalore City.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **Smt. H. LEELAVATHI,** aged about 72 years, W/o. Late K.M. Ramamurthy, residing at No. 239, Manju Krupa 5th Cross, 2nd Main Road, Kempegowda Nagar, Bangalore-560019, do hereby declare that **H. LEELAVATHI, LEELAVATHI, LEELAVATHI HONNAPPABHAGAVATHAR, K.R. LEELA, LEELA** and **LEELA RAMAMURTHY** these above names are pertaining to my name i.e., **H. LEELAVATHI** and in my correspondence letters, I have signed as **H. LEELAVATHI,** and my date of birth is wrongly mentioned as **01.01.1942** instead of **25.04.1952** as per my SSLC Marks Card my correct date of birth is **25.04.1952.**, vide affidavit dated 18.12.2024, sworn to before Mamatha .N.K, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **SHYLA SHREE R K,** W/o. Lokanath R Alias Meghanathan R, Aged about 50 years, resident of No. 17/1-2, 20th Cross, 6th Main, K.P. Agrahara, Magadi Road, Bengaluru - 560 023. I submit that the maiden name of my husband is **MEGANATHAN.R,** after marriage, in my family he was fondly called as **LOKANATH.R.** Hence in some of the documents his name is mentioned as **LOKANATH.R.** I submit that my husband died on 27.05.2024, in the Death Certificate is also my husband's name is Indicated as **LOKANATH.R.** I submit that, my husband owns a property at Tamil Nadu in the document of title his name is mentioned as **MEGANATHAN.R.** I submit that **LOKANATH.R** and **MEGANATHAN.R** both the names belong to my husband. I submit that, henceforth my husband will be called and known as **LOKANATH.R ALIAS MEGHANATHAN.R.** Vide affidavit dated 19.12.2024 sworn to before Ramachandrappa .C, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **DEPAK KUMAR DONGRE, S/o Ramadhar Dongre, resident of No 68, Ground floor, Susheelamma Layout, Beside Mount Carlo Apartment, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064. have changed my name to DEEPAK DONGRE** Affidavit dated 19-12-2024 sworn before advocate and notary C N Chandrashekar, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KUMAR L** S/o Late. **Laxman M,** Aged about 51 Years, R/at No. 277/9, 20th Main Road, Marenahalli Main Road, Vijayanagar, Bangalore-560040 in some record my father's name is wrongly mentioned as **LAKSHMAN** insted of **LAXMAN M** My father's correct name is **LAXMAN M** vide affidavit dated: 19/12/2024 Before Notary **M.K.Devaki** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Mr. MANJUNATHA, Aged about 43 years, S/o. Doddaiah, and Mr. DHANALAKSHMI, Aged about 36 years, W/o. Manjunatha both are residing at No. 9, Shree Sai L Ramiah Layout, Singanayakanahalli Post and Village, Yelahanka, Bangalore 560064. I declare that below mentioned my daughter's names **M. D. JNANAVI** and **JANAVI. M,** is one and the same person only and my daughter's correct name is **M. D. JNANAVI** vide affidavit dated 20/12/2024 sworn to before G.R.Ravichandra Reddy Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MISHRIMAL SUTHAR,** S/o Ramaji residing at No. 450, 3rd Cross, AMS Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore - 560097, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MISHRIMAL** to **MISHRIMAL SUTHAR.** Henceforth, I shall be known and called as **MISHRIMAL SUTHAR** only, vide affidavit dated 19/12/2024, sworn before advocate and notary C N Chandrashekar, at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) VISHNU MURTY,** Father of NO.JC-313776L, SUB, RAMANA RAO SURA, Residing at Ramadasupuram (Vill), Fareed Peta (Post & Tehsil), Srikakulam (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 532005, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) SURA VISHNUMURTY** And **DOB** from **01.07.1951** to **01.01.1946** Vide Affidavit Dated 16.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ANITA GUPTA,** W/o. Jai Krishan Gupta, residing at #357, 11th Cross, 2ndBlock, R.T.Nagar, Bengaluru 560032, declare that all the names **ANITA GUPTA, Dr. ANITA JAIKRISHNA GUPTA, ANITA JAIKRISHAN GUPTA** and **ANITHA JAIKRISHNAN GUPTA,** refers / pertains to one and the same person I.e., myself only vide Affidavit dated: 18/12/2024, sworn before Notary **SIVAKUMARA.M.N,** Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **UMAKANTHAN T M M** alias **UMAKANDHAN,** S/o Muthu, R/o No. C-204 2nd Floor, Marvel Sequoia A B Vajapayee Road, Kadugodi Bangalore - 560067, have permanently changed my name from **UMAKANTHAN T M M** alias **UMAKANDHAN** to **UMAKANTHAN MUTHU,** vide affidavit dated 20.12.2024, sworn before notary L. Puttaraju, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **JYOTHI MAHABALESHWAR JALISATGI,** do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **JYOTHI MAHABALESHWAR JALISATGI** to **JAYAKUMAR JYOTHI** vide affidavit dated 17.12.2024 sworn to before Ramachandrappa .C, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Farhath Begum, resident of No 17, 2nd cross, 5th main, Anandappa Block, Rahmath Nagar, RT Nagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore- 560032, have changed my name to AZEEMUNNISSA** Affidavit dated 19-12-2024 sworn before advocate and notary C N Chandrashekar, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PARAMESHA G** S/o **Ganeshan A.** Aged about 64 Years, R/at No.3207, 16th Block, Janapriya Township, Kadabagere, Bengaluru- 562130 have changed my name to **PARAMESHA GANESHAN** vide affidavit dated: 19/12/2024 Before Notary **M.K.DEVAKI** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, VARSHINI R, aged about 22years, daughter of Mr. Robin and wife of Mr. Swapnil Shrikant Kore, residing at Sipani Viveza, C1204, 2nd Cross Road, Behind Symbiosis College, Electronic City Phase 1, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560100, have changed my name from **VARSHINI R** to **Varshini Swapnil Kore,** vide affidavit dated 18/12/2024 sworn to before K.Balaraju Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, TIRUPATHI MUNIRATNAM s/o Late. Tirupathi Nadamuni Residing at No.214/2P, 7th Cross, Ashirvad Colony, Horamavu Bangalore-560043. My name **MUNIRATNAM TIRUPATHI** and **MUNIRATNAM.T** and **TIRUPATHI MUNIRATNAM** belong to the same person and my name to be read as TIRUPATHI MUNIRATNAM and My Late Father Name to be read as Late. TIRUPATHI NADAMUNI instead of T.NADAMUNI. Vide affidavit Dated: 19.12.2024 before Notary Y.R. Chandrashekar, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Sampath Vishwanath Hugar S/o Sri Vishwanath Hugar, residing at Gubbe-wad, Sindagi, Vijayapura - 586128, have changed my name from SAMPATH HUGAR to SAMPATH VISHWANATH HUGAR,** vide affidavit dated 18.12.2024 sworn before notary Deepa.M, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KANCHANA SULDGALAKAR BASAVANTH,** W/o. Amarnath Kore, residing at #104, 8th Block, Heritage Estate, Kenchenahalli Main Road, Puttenahalli, Bengaluru 560064, Karnataka State, have changed my name to **KANCHANA KORE,** vide affidavit dated: 20.12.2024 before Notary **Meer Hassan,** Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **Prathamesh,** aged about 31 years, S/o. Deepak Narayan Hoshing, residing at House No. 206, Classic Orchards, Bannerghatta Road, Near Meenakshi Temple, Bannerghatta, Bangalore South, Karnataka-560076, do hereby declare that all my name i.e, **Prathamesh Deepak Hoshing, Prathamesh D Hoshing, Prathamesh Hoshing,** and **Hoshing D Prathamesh** are one and the same person, now I have changed my name as **Prathamesh Hoshing,** vide affidavit dated 13.12.2024, sworn to before Anitha Bai, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RAMU .H** S/o. Hanumaiah H, Aged about 45 years, R/at No. 58, 3rd Cross, Swimming Pool Extension, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru - 560003, do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **R VIPUL** to **VIPUL RAMU** vide affidavit dated 17.12.2024 sworn to before Varija C.J., Advocate & Notary Public, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Asma Banu Tinwale, D/o Riyaz Ahmed, resident of 483/9/6, Bhagavan Chal, Bailhongal, Sampgaon District, Belgavi-591102 Karnataka have changed my name to ASMA BANU LODI** Affidavit dated 19-12-2024 sworn before advocate and notary C N Chandrashekar, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Mr. DANESH RAJASHEKHAR WARAD, Aged about 45 years residing at Ward No.3, Near Hiremat, Almel Sindagi, Almel, Post- Almel, Dist - Vijayapura, State - Karnataka 586202, have changed my name from **ANIRUD** to **ANIRUD DANESH WARAD,** vide affidavit dated 20/12/2024 sworn to before T.C. Thimmaraja Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, PRIYANKA REDDY W/o Samba shiva reddy Mulukalla, Residing at 227, A block, the Blue Lotus Park Apartment, Varanasi main road, Jinkethimmanahalli, K.R.puram, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560036, have changed my name from **PRIYANKA.B. to PRIYANKA REDDY MULUKALLA,** vide affidavit dated 17.12.2024, sworn before Notary Y R CHANDRASHEKAR, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) K DHANADEEPALAKSHMI,** Spouse of NO.16120297L, NK, KARTHIK KUMAR M, Residing at House NO.3/526, West Street, O Kovilpatti (Vill), Sankaralingapuram (Post), Virudhunagar (Tehsil & Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 626119, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) DHANADEEPALAKSHMI V,** Vide Affidavit Dated 13.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Mr. KARTHIK RAJASHEKHAR, S/o Mr. Rajashekhar.N, R/at. No.146, 10th A Main Road, Jayanagar 1st Block, Bangalore - 560011. I have changed my name from **"KARTHIK.R"** to **"KARTHIK RAJASHEKHAR"** vide affidavit dated **19-12-2024** sworn to before Notary Aravind Patil.G.G, advocate & Notary at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MANASA PREM** , W/o.Prem Ram Bagri, age about 32 years, Residing at No.252/2B GF Shri Basava Nilaya, 2nd Cross, Durgaparameshwari, Layout, H V Halli, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Benglauru-98.do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MANASA NAGESH TO MANASA PREM,.** vide affidavit dated 17/12/2024 sworn before advocate & Notary S.R. Thulasikrishna,Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RAJA KUMAR RAMACHANDRA JAGIRDHAR,** S/o Pattabhi Ramaiah R/o No. 5, 1ST Cross, Shamanna Garden, Near Srinidhi Temple Chunchaghatta Main Road Konanakunte, Bangalore - 560062, have permanently changed my name from **RAJA KUMAR RAMACHANDRA JAGIRDHAR** to **RAJ KUMAR RAMACHANDRA JAGIRDHAR,** vide affidavit dated 20.12.2024, sworn before notary L. Puttaraju, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **ANITHA VASUDEVAN** W/o. Rajiv Vasudevan, Aged about 58 years, residing at A-706/Mantri Elegance, Bannerghatta Road, Shoppers Stop, N.S. Palya, Bengaluru - 560 076, have declared that the following names **ANITHA VASUDEVAN, ANITHA P.D., Dr. ANITHA PADINJATEERI MANA DAMODARAN,** stated in different document and after marriage as **ANITHA VASUDEVAN** are one and the same vide affidavit dated 28.06.2023 sworn to before Notary Arun R. Naik.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Bhagyamma M, resident of No 29, 2nd Main, Kariyappa Layout, Ramamurthy Nagara, Dooravaninagar, Bangalore-560016, Karnataka have changed my name to BHAGYA SAILESH** Affidavit dated 19-12-2024 sworn before advocate and notary C N Chandrashekar, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SOWMYA VINOD KUMAR HULIMAVU** (Old Name), W/o. **VINOD KUMAR HULIMAVU** residing at No. 146, Sri Raghavendra Nilaya, Bannergatta Road, Hulimavu, Bengaluru - 560076 have changed my name to **SOWMYA VINOD KUMAR** (New Name) vide affidavit dated: 20/12/2024 Before Notary **G R Rajanna** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

We, Hikmat Bhandari and Nabina Bhandari have changed the name of our minor son, aged about 7 years from **JITESH BHANDARI** to **MAYUR BHANDARI,** vide affidavit **dated: 11-09-2024** sworn to before Notary Public **Sri. Sivakumara M N.** Henceforth our son shall be called **MAYUR BHANDARI.**

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) S S JAYASHREE,** Spouse of NO.JC-311684A, SUB, SREE SHAILA HMB, Residing at Qtr NO.51/5, Mane Vihar, SF Accommodation, Opp to Army Public School, Belagavi (Dist), KARNATAKA (State), PIN: 590001, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) JAYASHREE S BIRADAR,** Vide Affidavit Dated 16.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **VALLI SHANKAR,** W/o Lakshman Shankar, age 57 years, r/at Flat No. 106, MBM Classic Apartment, 1st Floor, 1st Cross, BEML 5th Stage, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru-560 098 do hereby declare that after my marriage I have changed my name from **S. VALLIKKANU** to **VALLI SHANKAR,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **VALLI SHANKAR** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 14-11-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B. HANUMANTHARAYA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SANDEEP SURESH PARVATHIKAR** S/o Suresh Shrinivasrao Parvatikar R/o Skanda Lake Front, C-008 Sy No. 44/1A, 44/1B, Kanakapura Road Yelachenahalli, JP Nagar, Bangalore - 560078, have permanently changed my name from **SANDEEP SURESH PARVATHIKAR** to **SANDEEP SURESH PARVATIKAR,** vide affidavit dated 10.12.2024, sworn before notary L. Puttaraju, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **Lakshmi Rajshekar Rathod,** D/o. Rajshekar Rathod, aged about 18 years, R/at. "Sanjivini Clinic", Chikka Thirupathi Road, Lakkur Village, Malur Taluk, Kolar District-563160, do hereby declare that both **LAKSHMI RAJSHEKAR RATHOD** and **LAKSHMI RAJSHEKAR RATHAD** one and the same and by typographically mentioned as **LAKSHMI RAJSHEKAR RATHAD,** vide affidavit dated 19.12.2024, sworn to before R. Jyshree, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **KODANDARAMA H.R.,** S/o Late Begur Ramaiah, Aged about 51 years, R/at # 56/4, 7th Main Road, Dattatreya Nagar, Hoskerehalli, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru - 560 095, do hereby declare that, my true name is **KODANDARAMA H.R.** and all documents pertaining to me contain my correct name **KODANDARAMA H.R.** Except my passport bearing No. G1216917 which has expired on 03.01.2017. vide affidavit dated 18.12.2024 sworn to before K. Ramegowda, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NIDHIKA MAHESH MALPANI, aged 25 years, W/o. Ayush Soni, Resident of E5 801, SNN Raj Greenbay, Greenbay Road, Near Tech Mahindra, Electronic City Phase 2, Bengaluru City -560100, have changed my name to NIDHIKA SONI** vide affidavit dated: 20.12.2024 before notary P.N. NAGESHA, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Mrs GEETA DANESH WARAD W/o Mr. DANESH RAJASHEKHAR WARAD, Aged about 36 years, residing at Ward No.3, Near Hiremat, Almel Sindagi, Almel, Post- Almel, Dist Vijayapura, State - Karnataka 586202, have changed my name from **GEETA** to **GEETA DANESH WARAD.,** vide affidavit dated 20/12/2024 sworn to before T.C.Thimmaraja Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **LAKSHMI RAJAPUROHIT,** aged about 58 years, W/o Sri.Sridhara Narayana Kulkarni, resident of Flat No.GF-01, No.23, R.R.Golden Nest, 4th Main, Asta Grama Layout, KHB Colony, Basaveshwaranagara, Benagaluru North, Bengaluru-560079, Karnataka, India, do hereby solemnly declare that I have changed my name from **LAKSHMI SRIDHAR KULKARNI** to **LAKSHMI RAJAPUROHIT** vide affidavit dated 20.12.2024 sworn to before Advocate and Notary **Deepa M,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SERVICE NO.JC-314963W, NB/SUB, GOVINDARAJ P, Residing at House NO.3/161B, Periyathakkepalli (Vill), Pothinayanapalli (Post), Krishnagiri (Tk & Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 635001, Have Changed My son Name **(OLD NAME) GS LUCKY** to **(NEW NAME) LUCKY GS** Vide Affidavit Dated 16.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, MAQSOOD KHAN, S/o.Azeem Khan, residing at #25/1, Haines Road, Frazer Town, Bengaluru 560005, have changed my name to **MAQSOOD KHAN AZEEM KHAN** vide Affidavit Dated: 19/12/2024 sworn before Notary MEER HASSAN, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SURESH PARVATHIKAR,** S/o Shrinivasrao, R/o Skanda Lake Front C-008, Sy No. 44/1A, 44/1B Kanakapura Road, Yelachenahalli JP Nagar, Bangalore – 560078, have permanently changed my name from **SURESH PARVATHIKAR** to **SURESH SHRINIVASRAO PARVATIKAR,** vide affidavit dated 10.12.2024, sworn before notary L. Puttaraju, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **IMRAN KHAN,** S/o Jamal Mohamed, R/o No. Benowa 301 Kudlu, Sai Meadows, Parappana Agrahara, Bangalore - 560068 have permanently changed my name from **IMRAN KHAN** to **MOHAMED IMRAN JAMAL MOHAMED,** vide affidavit dated 20.12.2024, sworn before notary L. Puttaraju, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **GURUPRASAD BANGALORE GOPINATH,** resident of No. 1253, 8th 'B' Cross, 1st 'E' Main, 2nd Phase, Girinagar, Bangalore, Karnataka-560085 (India), do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **GURUPRASAD GOPINATH BANGALORE GOPINATH** to **GURUPRASAD BANGALORE GOPINATH,** vide affidavit dated 19.12.2024, sworn to before Shreeshail B. Gobbani, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **DURGADHATHRI GIRISH** D/o **Girish Krishnamurthy** aged about 23 Years R/at No. Saptagiri, 6th & 7th Cross Corner, Vivekananda Road, RamaMurthy Nagar Bengaluru- 560016 have changed my name to **DURGA DHATRI GIRISH** vide affidavit dated: 18/12/2024 Before Notary **Mohammed Hussain** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, AMRUT PATIL S/o Sri. Hanumantha Rao Mainal, aged about 40 years, residing at House No.2/1, 1st Main Road, 9th Cross, Bhovi Palya, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore, have changed my name from **AMRUT RAO MAINAL** to **AMRUT PATIL,** vide affidavit dated 20/12/2024 sworn to before S.T.Thippeswamy Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **B.S.Shantha Alias B.S.Shanthamma** Wife of S. Nataraju, aged 65 years, residing at #54, New No.08, 4th Cross, Vidyamanyanagara West, Andrahalli Main Road, Vishwaneedam Post, Bangalore-560091. Hereby declared that my names **"B. S. Shantha"** and **"B. S. Shanthamma"**, both of the names belong to the same person, for future records I would like to continue my name as **B.S.Shantha.** Vide Affidavit dated **16.12.2024,** sworn before **H.R. Karunakara, M.A., LL.B,** Advocate & Notary, Bangalore-560010.

NUGGETS

Restaurant launches second outlet

Kritunga - The Palegar's cuisine, Koramangala, known for authentic South Indian cuisine launched their second outlet in Bannerghatta, recently. Serving authentic Palegar cuisine, the menu includes traditional thalis with ragi mudde, jowar roti, and natu kodi pulusu, alongside signature dishes like a special chicken biryani. Desserts like millet payasam celebrating local flavours are also on the menu.

Luxury hotel offers Christmas and New Year getaways

Hilton Bangalore Embassy Golflinks has launched luxurious holiday packages for Christmas and New Year, perfect for those seeking an elegant urban escape. Guests can enjoy a suite upgrade, a festive lunch or dinner, access to exclusive amenities, including a playroom for children and discounts on spa treatments. Dining highlights include meals at Ministry of Food, and handcrafted chocolates at Recess. Packages, priced at ₹11,999++ for two, include early check-in at 10am and late check-out until 4pm. Available until Dec 31. For reservations, contact 8066799999.

Brewery unveils winter cocktail menu

BLR Brewing Co, one of the city's largest brew parks, is set to embrace the Christmas season with a lineup of winter cocktails. Highlights include Prague Mist, a blend of warm brandy, Martini Fiero and masala chai soda, served with buttery biscuit. For chocolate lovers, the Rum Hot Chocolate offers a fusion of Bacardi Black, spiced syrup, and hot chocolate milk, topped with vanilla foam and cinnamon sugar. The Christmas special menu will be available across their outlets alongside live gigs and DJ nights.

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Radisson Blu Unveils Festive Masterpieces

8-Foot Santa and 15-Foot Gingerbread House

PIC BY VINOD KUMAR T

For Pastry Chef Balaji Durairaj, art is an adventure—a dynamic and unpredictable journey filled with endless possibilities. This Christmas, Chef Balaji has embarked on just such an artistic voyage, channeling his creativity into some truly extraordinary holiday displays at Radisson Blu on Palace Road.

As you enter the hotel's lobby, one of the first things you'll notice is the breathtaking sight of an 8-foot Santa Claus, sculpted entirely from 185 kg of margarine. With his jolly face, red jacket, and iconic white beard, this towering figure exudes festive cheer. Crafted with exceptional attention to detail, the Santa Claus took three days to complete. The natural creamy hue of margarine adds a unique touch, giving the figure a warm, inviting glow that embodies the holiday spirit.

But Santa isn't the only festive marvel to catch your eye. Standing beside him is a 15-foot Gingerbread House, weighing 135 kg, constructed from flour, honey, mixed spices, salt, breadcrumbs, and ginger powder. The gingerbread structure, featuring a charming blend of brown and white colors, adds a magical touch to the holiday display. Together, the two creations capture the essence of Christmas, with the towering Santa and the whimsical gingerbread house presiding over the lobby like a scene straight out of a holiday storybook.

Adding to the enchantment, this year's display also features a natural Christmas tree, adorned with traditional decorations, completing the festive ambiance.

Chef Balaji, who boasts 14 years of culinary expertise, is no stranger to using food as an artistic medium. His creations this year are a true reflection of both his skill and creativity. These edible masterpieces will remain on display until January 2, 2025.

Carpenter Maria Susai was of great support to Chef Balaji

This isn't the first time Radisson Blu has amazed guests with such imaginative displays. Last year, the hotel unveiled the now-famous "Butter Ganapati," a tribute to the Ganesh Chaturthi festival that became the talk of the town. The idea was conceived when the hotel's **General Manager, Girish Ganeshan**, approached Chef Balaji with the challenge of creating a memorable and unique attraction for the festival. "Carpenters Maria Susai and Gnaprakash were of immense help in making this a reality," he mentions.

Chef Balaji reveals that the choice of margarine creation was practical as well as artistic. "Margarine has a longer shelf life due to its higher content of additives, which is why it was the best option for something that needed to be preserved until New Year's Day. I've also worked with margarine in previous artistic projects, so I'm familiar with its properties," he explains.

BNMIT College Distributes Scholarships Worth Rs. 51.10 Lakh to Meritorious Students

BNMIT College held a scholarship program in Banashankari, where scholarships were distributed to students. In this program, cheques worth Rs. 51.10 lakh were awarded to those who excelled academically, in sports, NCC, and from economically backward classes.

Speaking at the event, Debabrata Das, Vice President of Bhoomi Software Company, said, "Students should find a new path in life and create a new world through it. If students set their minds to it, they can build that new world. They should adopt values in life and develop the courage to face the challenges that lie ahead."

Narayana Rao R. Maanay, President of BNMIT Charity, later said, "Our college has been involved in social work alongside providing education. As part of this initiative, we are identifying talented but economically disadvantaged students and offering them scholarships."

The event was attended by BNM Charity Trustees Eishwar N. Maanay, Additional Director and Principal Dr. S. Y. Kulkarni, Human Resource Officer of Bhoomi Software Company Sumit, BNMIT Charity President Narayana Rao R. Maanay, Deputy Director of the College Dr. G. N. Krishnamurthy, Director of the College Prof. T. J. Ramamurthy, and others.

BNMIT Students Win Rs. 50,000 at Smart India Hackathon 2024 for Innovative Braille Solution

The 7th edition of the world's largest innovation competition, Smart India Hackathon 2024, organised by the Ministry of Education and AICTE, New Delhi, witnessed intense participation from across India. A staggering 86,000 teams competed at the national level, with 13,000 teams making it to the grand finale.

Among the top contenders was a team from BNM Institute of Technology (BNMIT), Bangalore, who showcased their groundbreaking project at the GITAM Deemed to be University in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh. Competing under the Student Innovation theme, BNMIT's team, Smart Spark, developed "The Dot," an AI-powered Braille system designed to support visually impaired individuals. The innovative solution aims to enhance accessibility and improve communication for the visually challenged, using cutting-edge technology to bridge the gap in assistive devices.

The Smart Spark team, comprising Bhumika Honnalli, Brindha D, Nimith B, Pradyumna MD, Prajwal Athreyas S, and Shreesha M Rao, secured a prize of Rs. 50,000 for their impressive innovation. Their success came under the expert guidance of Dr. S. Srividhya, Professor and Head of the Department of Information Science and Engineering, and Dr. A. Kumar, Associate Professor, Department of Electrical & Electronics Engineering, BNMIT.

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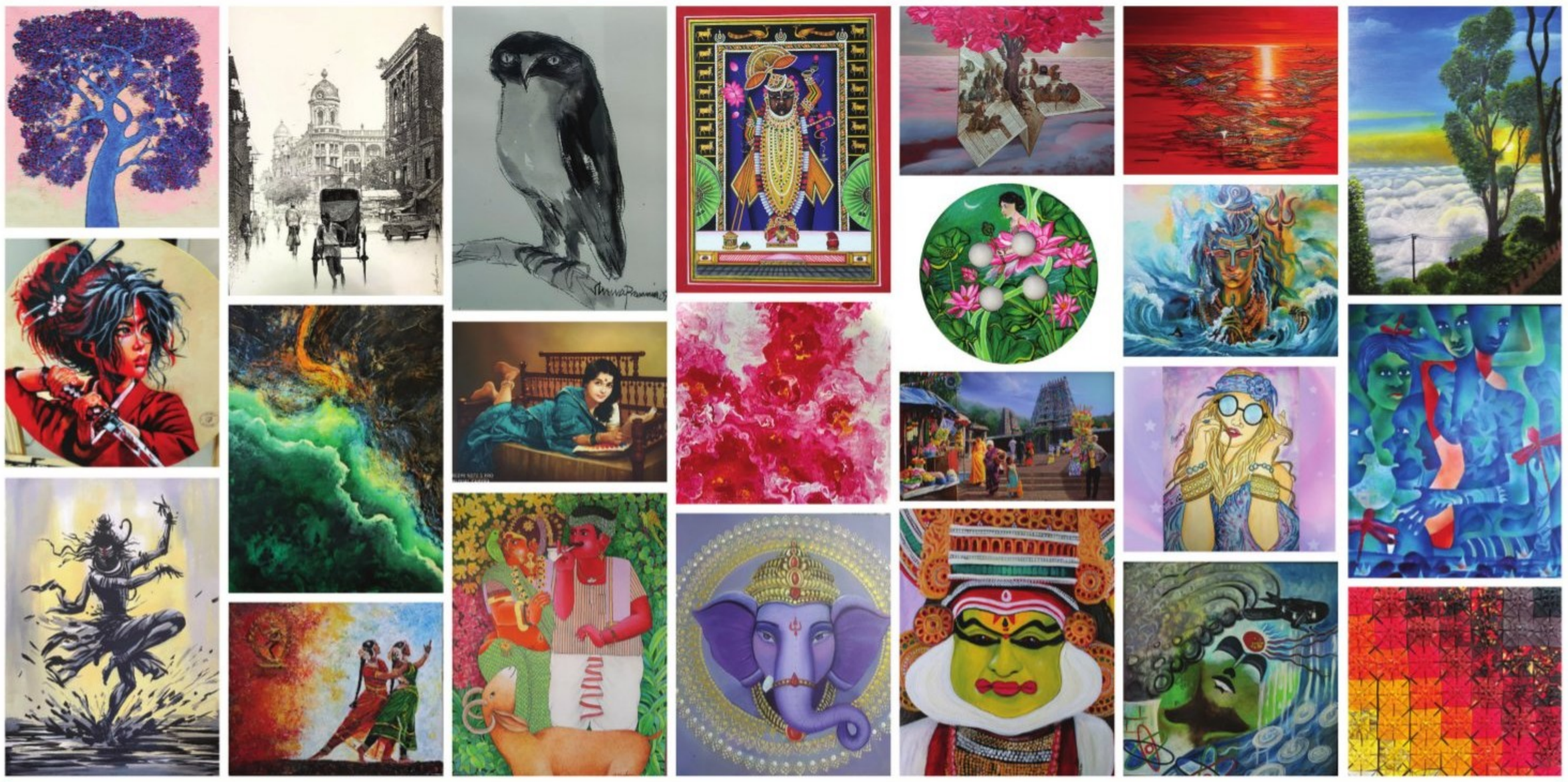

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'Sudeep's character in *Max* deeply influenced me'

...says Samyukta Hornad as she talks about her character in her upcoming film with co-star Kiccha Sudeep and directed by Vijay Karthikeyaa

SAMYUKTA Hornad was driven by the opportunity to work with her *Max* co-star Kiccha Sudeep, but she had another reason for accepting a role in the film directed by Vijay Karthikeyaa. In an exclusive conversation with CE, ahead of the film's release on December 25, she says, "It was the emotional depth and unexpected twists in the story that set the film apart from typical mass-market thrillers."

For Samyukta, the experience was about connection, learning, and the joy of working alongside the likes of Sudeep, who bring something truly special to the craft, she says.

According to the makers, the film, produced by Kalaipuli S Thanu's V Creations and Sudeep's Kiccha Creations, has a powerful emotional arc that goes beyond the usual thrills, leading to a satisfying conclusion. "I was excited to collaborate with Sudeep, whose work I had closely observed during Jigarthanda. I always wanted to work with him, and *Max* gave me that chance," she shares.

Sudeep has a unique quality that stands out to Samyukta, who has worked with stars. "Unlike others who don't rehearse and rely on body doubles, Sudeep takes the time to rehearse with us. I've never seen him lose his cool, no matter the situation. Working with him is more than just being part of a mass hero film; it's about connecting with people on a deeper level."

Reflecting on how the opportunity came by, Samyukta says, "I landed this part because of my previous work as a police officer in a web series and a Kannada film. I enjoyed exploring even the darker shades of my character. I love experiencing characters and life in all its facets, both good and bad."

What impressed Samyuktha the most was Sudeep's dedication. "I was amazed at how hardworking Sudeep sir is. He showed us how he edits his scenes. At times, I just wanted to sit and watch him, learn about acting, filmmaking, and life. Even at 3 am, he would be cracking jokes, making us laugh. At the end of the day, looking at the set, you realise you'll miss it. Sudeep sir said the same thing."

For Samyukta, who has worked in 33 films, this role felt like a fresh start. "This film is fast-paced, and I play a sub-inspector who is seen throughout, alongside a couple of talented actors. A lot happens, and the action keeps everything moving."

Sudeep plays a police officer in *Max*, a role he is well-known for. Describing him as "stylish" with "unmatched swag," Samyukta reveals, "Even in a scene filled with smoke, he manages to look effortlessly cool. Not many can pull that off. He brings so much experience to the role, and it feels completely natural." Samyuktha also recalls her growing-up memories of Sudeep. "When I was eleven, Sudeep would visit my grandparents' house to drop off his friend for rehearsals. I watched Sparsha when he became a hero, and for years, I've felt a connection with him."

Sudeep's character deeply influenced her. "I started acting like a cop at home—walking, talking like one—and my mother noticed. It was fascinating how I could completely immerse myself in someone else's role."

On set, Samyuktha couldn't help but be curious about Sudeep's perspective on life. "I often asked him questions about film and life. He would sit down and share his thoughts, giving me insights for acting and making life decisions. It wasn't just about acting—it was about learning and growing as a person."

A still from the film

Samyukta Hornad

'Working in *Max* feels like the culmination of ten projects'

...says Sukrutha Wagle as she discusses her upcoming film Max with Kichcha Sudeep, her role in the film, why it is a special film for her, and more

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SUKRUTHA Wagle, who is usually recognised for her critically acclaimed roles since her debut, *Jatta*, found working with Kichcha Sudeep to be an experience that went beyond just star power—it became a transformative journey. "I was in Martin in a small role. But for any actor, getting the chance to work with Sudeep sir is a dream come true. Even more so when you're sharing the screen with him. Typically, an actor might get a call sheet for 20 to 25 days for such roles, but for *Max*, we were asked for 100 days. That's a whole different level of commitment and screen time. And I loved it! My role in a web series, where I played a bold character, opened the door for *Max*, and here, I get to showcase a range of emotions in a one-night story. The character arc is bold, and I could really dive into her depth."

Sukrutha plays Meenakumari, a newly joined constable, in *Max*. "This is the first time I've worn the khaki uniform, and for me, this film feels like the culmination of ten projects put together," she says with a sense of accomplishment. "The project is massive, and working alongside someone like Sudeep makes it all the more special."

Her first encounter with Sudeep was casual—at a Bigg Boss event, where she took a selfie with him. But working on *Max* for 100 days, she says, brought a deeper, more meaningful connection. "At the time, I saw Sudeep as someone who radiates positivity. He made everyone around him feel good, and coming onto the sets every day, I started seeing him as more than just a co-star. He became a guru, a leader, someone who genuinely wanted to help everyone excel in their careers. He shares his knowledge freely and helps hone your skills."

She continues, "We all know Sudeep for his immense screen presence and his talks on reality shows. But I had this preconceived notion that he would be a strict person. However, when I met him, I was shocked. From the moment we shook hands, I could tell that he had made an effort to learn about every person he was working with. Someone of his stature had actually done his homework on the people around him—it was such a pleasant surprise."

A still from the film

Sukrutha Wagle

The days on set with Sudeep were filled with constant learning for Sukrutha. "It was like being in an institution. Every time we met, we were happy to hear Sudeep sir's insights about his films. It was like having a Dronacharya teach us not just about acting, but about life." When asked about the impact of working with a star, Sukrutha reflects thoughtfully: "A star can sometimes dominate the entire screen, taking all the space. But not Sudeep. He's the kind of star who wants everyone around him to shine. He ensures that every actor on set gets their moment to shine, and he actively works to bring out the best in them. There were times when he would even perform a scene just to show us how it's done."

Sukrutha, who loves to underplay her role, found playing a constable both challenging and rewarding. "I love underplaying, but Meenakumari was a bold character with a strong emotional side. It was something new for me, and I had to tap into a side of me that I hadn't explored before. It was a challenge, but also a different experience. There were moments of action that I had a blast with, but the emotional side of the character brought out a softer, more feminine side of me, which I hadn't shown before. It felt fresh and exciting."

UPENDRA'S *UI* LEAVES US REFLECTING ON THE STATUS QUO

RATING 3/5

UI
Director: Upendra
Cast: Upendra, Reeshma Nanaiah, Ravi Shankar, Sadhu Kokila, Murali Sharma. Medini Kelamane, Nidhi Subaiah, and Achyuth Kumar

A SHARADHAA

UPENDRA'S *UI* is a film with a challenging and surreal narrative that explores intelligence, identity, and societal norms. The film's opening cards may seem like an abstract puzzle designed to test the viewer's mind. It begins with a bold disclaimer, urging the intellectually discerning to leave, while daring those who stay to embrace their own folly. This sets the tone for the film, which defies traditional narrative structure and plunges into a complex world of unsettling truths, inviting viewers to engage in a thought-provoking and challenging experience. The opening cards feature brain-like structures in vibrant colours, which, while initially seem nonsensical, represent the fragility of the mind. Just like the sweet yet delicate candy floss, the mind can be easily influenced by external forces. The protagonist's mind is depicted as a playground for manipulation, a theme central to the film's exploration of freedom.

The film explores the dangers of power, knowledge, and technology, showing how their misuse can lead to destruction. Upendra is seen in three shades: first as a director, through the lens of the reviewer Kiran Adarsh (Murali Sharma), who is pushed by Sunaina (Nidhi Subbaih) to review a film. As he watches, he begins to understand how the audience reacts. One notable moment occurs when a couple, after watching the film, leaves, and the wife discards her mangal sutra, declaring, "Let's split... freedom," symbolising a personal revolution that challenges both her marriage and the illusion of connection. Another moment involving a lesbian relationship challenges societal norms and reflects shifting human connections in the digital age. The director does not spare social media, either. This is when Kiran Adarsh begins to research the script, taking us into the world of *UI*.

The chaos of the film truly begins when characters Satya and Kalki (both played by Upendra) take center stage, where morality, caste, and religion intertwine, echoing the Kali Yuga—an age dominated by ego, desires, and impending destruction. *UI* presents a society on the brink of unraveling. Satya, embodying moral righteousness and equality, can be compared to Basavanna, a philosopher and social reformer advocating for equality in the caste system. Kalki, a mythological figure associated with the end of the current era, represents the conflict between right and wrong. The film also critiques modern advancements like technology and mining mafia, using the metaphor of "rape" to symbolise the violation of Mother Earth (Prakriti), which leads to the birth of Kalki, drawing on ancient prophecies like the Garuda Purana.

Upendra's storytelling is unique, carrying the entire film's narrative on his shoulders with impressive performances and production values. Joining him are Ravi Shankar, Sadhu Kokila, and Reeshma Nanaiah, who support his vision. The music and cinematography further support the director's vision, creating an immersive experience. On the technical front, the cinematography by HC Venu is outstanding, capturing both grandeur and subtlety. The background score by Ajaneesh Loknath perfectly complements the visuals, enhancing the atmosphere. However, the songs feel somewhat out of place. The costumes, on the other hand, play a crucial role in defining the characters. *UI* is filled with philosophical themes, questioning good and evil in a contemporary setting. More than just social critique, it celebrates the human spirit's ability to navigate chaos and find meaning. However, its thematic content may be too much for some.

In one notable moment, Upendra's script is set on fire, symbolising the destruction of outdated narratives and traditions. The film's characters mirror the chaotic world they inhabit. The line "foolish world mirroring the foolish mirror itself" sums up the film's essence—human nature struggles to break free from the societal "mirrors" around them. In the world of *UI*, fools and the intelligent coexist.

The plot of *UI* is complex, with numerous twists that make it difficult to explain succinctly. The narrative is layered, and while it touches on religion, caste, and corruption, these themes feel underdeveloped and lack the depth they deserve. The film's narrative structure is unique, embedding another film within the main story. This technique, reminiscent of Upendra's earlier works like Shhh! and A, adds variety but also contributes to the film's complexity. It comes across as a big stage play, addressing larger issues, including the wars happening in other countries and various problems around the world. Upendra seizes the opportunity to talk a line about his political ideology, Prajaakeeya

UI is a film that cannot be easily categorised. It is both a social commentary and a philosophical inquiry, a surreal exploration of the human condition. The film's story asks fundamental questions about freedom, thinking, and love, and though it offers no easy answers, it leaves viewers reflecting on the state of the world. As the film ends, the words "Back to where it was, but why bother, there's no focus" linger, reminding us that life moves forward, regardless of the chaos. We must decide where to focus our attention, whether we seek enlightenment, rebellion, or peace. The film suggests that intellectual engagement is key to understanding its meaning. But it's not just about intellect—it also challenges emotional intelligence, urging viewers to understand both the self and the world. *UI* demands a balance of both logic and emotion from its audience. With its serious themes, Upendra aims to leave the audience with something to reflect on. We hope that next time, he presents a world seen in a better light, one that leaves a smile on our faces.

MSW TRAINEES CONDUCT TRANSFORMATIVE SOCIAL WORK CAMP IN IBASAPURA

Ibasapura, Devanahalli: The Department of Social Work at Kristu Jayanti College, Bengaluru, in collaboration with BIRDS NGO, successfully organized a six-day social work camp in Ibasapura, Devanahalli, bringing together over 50 1st year Master of Social Work (MSW) trainees to engage with the community and address key social issues. The camp, held from 02nd December 2024 to 07th December 2024, aimed to promote health awareness, awareness on women empowerment and youth development, child rights, and sustainable development while offering students hands-on experience in community engagement.

The camp's activities were diverse and impactful, beginning with a rally that mobilized villagers and introduced the camp's objectives. A health camp conducted on the second day offered essential screenings for BMI, diabetes, and blood pressure, benefiting children and adults alike. Surveys on child rights and socio-economic conditions gathered valuable insights, empowering the community to voice their needs.

Cultural programs, including thematic dances, mimes, and skits, creatively addressed pressing issues like health, hygiene, women's empowerment, child rights and environment and sustainability. A sports day for children fostered teamwork and inclusivity, while a cleanliness drive organized by the trainees emphasized the importance of maintaining hygiene in public spaces, inspiring the villagers to take collective responsibility for their environment.

The social work camp not only addressed the immediate needs of the community but also left a lasting impact, building a foundation for future collaboration. The MSW trainees returned with enhanced professional skills, a deeper understanding of rural challenges, and a renewed commitment to social work values.

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CELEBRATING YOUTH AND CULTURE

CHRIST UNIVERSITY HOSTS 38TH AIU SOUTH EAST ZONE YOUTH FESTIVAL 2024

The Kengeri Campus of Christ (Deemed to be University) is hosting the 38th AIU Inter-University South East Zone Youth Festival 2024, under the aegis of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi. The event, CRESCENDO-2024, is taking place from 19th December 2024 to 23rd December 2024. A total of 1,500 external participants from various colleges across the Southern States of India are participating in the festival.

The youth festival was jointly inaugurated on 19th December 2024 with the traditional lighting of the lamp by the Vice-Chancellor of CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Rev. Dr. Fr. Jose C. C., and the Additional Secretary of AIU, Dr. Mamata Rani Agarwal. Fr. Dr. Sony J. Chundattu, Director; Fr. Shijin, Assistant Director; Dr. Raghunandan Kumar R., Dean; Prof. Sushanth G.; and Dr. Manikandan, Event Coordinators, were also present at the event.

The Vice-Chancellor emphasised the importance of the holistic development of youth through enthusiastic participation in such cultural events. Dr. Mamata highlighted the need for the overall development of youth through various art forms and stated that "Bharata," the ancient name of India, encapsulates *Bhava* (musical emotion), *Raga* (melody), and *Tala* (rhythm).

Many accomplished young artists from various educational institutions across all South East Indian states will be participating in the festival's events, such as vocal and instrumental music, dance, plays, debates, quizzes, painting, modeling, and more.